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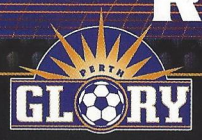

Perth Glory

	PG Games	PG Goals	NSL Games	NSL Goals
1. Jason PETKOVIC	68	0	223	0
2. Matt HORSLEY	9	1	293	37
3. Jamie HARNWELL	90	11	90	11
4. Ljubo MILICEVIC	29	3	30	3
5. Craig DEANS	41	2	77	3
6. Gareth NAVEN(c)	138	6	150	6
7. Scott MILLER	150	15	199	18
8. Brad MALONEY	25	8	262	70
9. Alistair EDWARDS	76	24	156	34
10. Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	139	65	162	75
11. Michael GARCIA	39	4	66	4
12. Brad HASSELL	0	0	213	44
13. Anthony DANZE	0	0	0	0
14. Dion VALLE	35	0	35	0
15. Edgar ALDRIGHI JNR	72	1	72	1
16. Damian MORI	37	28	336	176
17. Gary FARIA	36	4	36	4
18. Shane PRYCE	28	1	157	18
20. Tony FRANKEN	39	0	278	0
21. PJ ROBERTS	8	0	45	1
22. Antonio NAGLIERI	0	0	0	0
23. David TARKA	2	0	2	0
25. Todd HARNWELL	2	0	2	0
26. Nick MRDJA	7	0	10	0
30. Vince MATASSA	11	0	35	0

Coach: Mich d'Avray
Assistant Coach: Alan Vest

Adelaide City Force

	ACF Games	ACF Goals	NSL Games	NSL Goals
1. Adrian CAGALJ	48	0	60	0
2. Matthew KEMP	40	6	40	6
3. Iain FYFE	12	1	12	1
4. Ante KOVACEVIC	36	0	174	2
5. Peter CESTIC	5	0	5	0
6. Louis BRAIN	57	6	57	6
7. Lucas PANTELIS	32	3	32	3
8. Carl VEART (c)	230	66	230	66
9. Nick SABLJAK	81	6	81	6
10. Aurelio VIDMAR	220	43	220	43
11. Alex MOREIRA	9	4	93	36
12. Scott TUNBRIDGE	37	14	37	14
13. Kristian REES	21	0	21	0
14. Aaron GOULDING	4	0	4	0
15. Jeff CAMPBELL	1	0	26	3
16. David TERMINELLO	40	4	78	6
17. Mario KARLOVIC	6	0	6	0
18. Ivan KARLOVIC	22	1	22	1
20. Daniel GODLEY	0	0	0	0
21. Adrian PELLEGRINO	0	0	0	0
22. Grzegorz LEWANDOWSKI	9	0	9	0
23. Nick BUDIN	8	0	8	0

Coach: Zoran Matic
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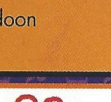

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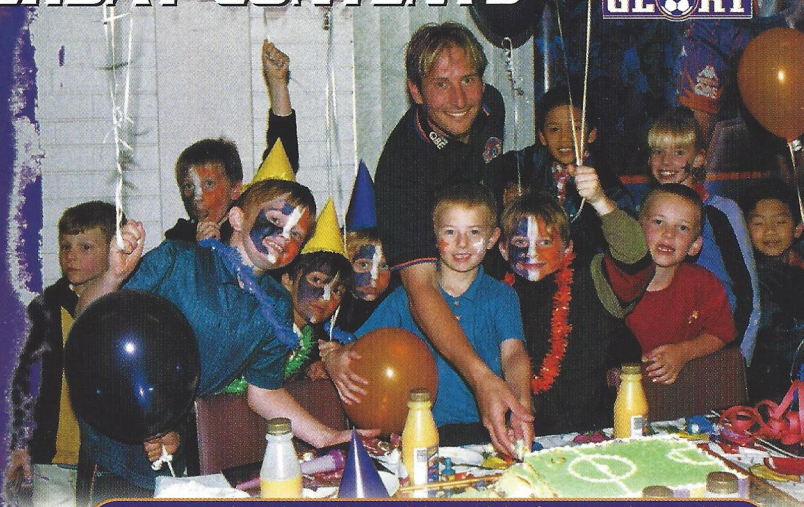

Simon Russell celebrated his birthday, with his favourite player Bobby Despotovski at the last home game against Parramatta Power.

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EDITORIAL

STABILITY CAN BE A DOUBLE-EDGED SWORD

Gary Faria stepping up again to claim some glory.

Without doubt, one of the main factors in Perth Glory's remarkable record-breaking start to the season has been Mich d'Avray's ability to field the same starting line-up for all but three games so far.

It must lead to a tremendous amount of confidence and understanding between those 11 players, particularly at the back. And that's certainly been evident with the Glory's defence conceding just six goals to date.

However, there are 14 other players in the squad, 14 other very talented players, many of whom would be walk-up starters in any other NSL side, all itching to get a piece of the action.

Watching from the stands may be okay for three or four matches, but another six or seven rounds of inactivity and suddenly the season's half over and these players have still seen no action.

But that shouldn't really be a big problem. All the players know if they're not in the squad, it's up to them to work extra hard to try to prove they're worth a spot. It's all part and parcel of their job - no one is guaranteed a place in the team. It's no doubt enormously frustrating watching from the sidelines but everyone knows that may be the case if you join one of the bigger clubs in any league.

There will always be injuries and suspensions and that's when the other players need to come in and perform immediately, just as Gary Faria has done in the Glory's last two games.

But that's easier said than done in the Glory's situation and that's where problems could arise later in the season. It's a potentially double-edged sword that shouldn't halt, but could hinder, the Glory's seemingly unstoppable charge towards the championship.

It's not that the players coming in aren't good enough to replace those in the starting XI - far from it.

No, the problems could arise if a "non-regular" is brought into the line-up for an NSL match without any real match practice. Playing training games against the starting XI is probably as good a grounding as these players can get at the moment but match fitness and playing in a real match is another thing altogether. And unfortunately at the moment, some of the Glory boys haven't played a competitive match since pre-season.

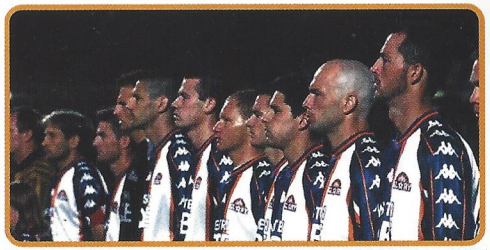
Having said that, Faria came in and did a superb job against both the Power and Newcastle and didn't look a bit out of place, only perhaps tiring slightly in the closing moments of each match.

It's no-one's fault and can't be helped but there will be a time when other squad members will be needed later in the season and it could be difficult to adapt to the pace and pressure, particularly if it's a finals match, even more so for the likes of the injured Ljubo Milicevic and Gareth Naven who didn't even take part in the pre-season.

The sort of stability the Glory have enjoyed really is a situation that would make coaches worldwide green with envy, but then clubs in most other countries have some sort of reserve league that allows the rest of the squad to play in competitive and meaningful matches, so they can come in more or less ready to go from the first minute.

It's also probably not such a factor in a first-past-the-post competition (which every other country in the world seems to favour) because a winning streak such as the Glory's would often have set up a big enough buffer that would allow a couple of losses later in the season and would still enable them to hold out for top position.

But Australia's unique play-off system is a different story. As good statistical reading as they make, in effect, all the Glory's records and wins so far count for nothing (except the chance for a home grand final). They could win their remaining 15 matches, only to lose a final because they had to bring in two or three players, quality players, but players who haven't been able to play a competitive match for six months.



The Glory's steady team line-up has proven itself to be a powerful force but will injuries and suspensions play a part later in the season.

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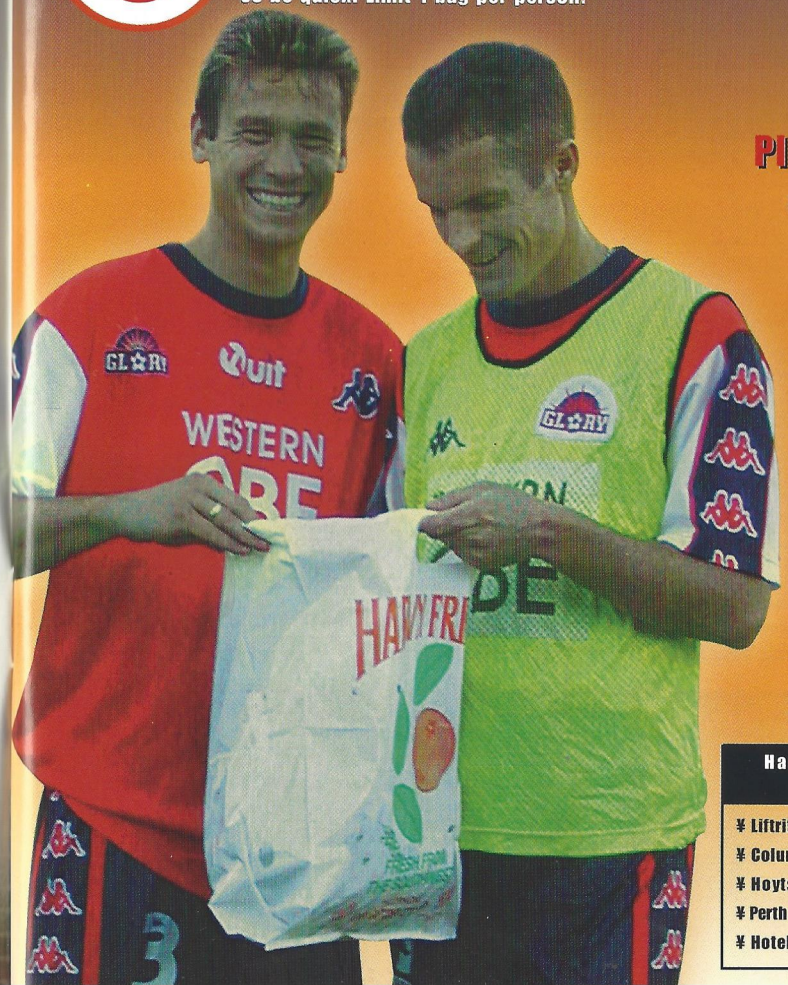

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TONIGHT'S GAME
THE SILENCE OF THE LAMBS

If Newcastle is Perth Glory's bogey team - although last weekend's spirited 1-1 draw went someway towards destroying that theory - then tonight's opponent, Adelaide City Force, is somewhat on the opposite end of the scale.

Adelaide's record in Perth is reasonable - two wins from six games - but amazingly it has NEVER beaten the Glory in six contests in the South Australian capital.

The last time the sides met - in Adelaide in March - the Glory recorded an astonishing 6-4 triumph with goals from Alistair Edwards, Scott Miller, Bobby Despotovski, John Carbone, an own goal from Ante Kovacevic and the strike of the night from City old boy Damian Mori, who had the home fans dreaming of past glories when he evaded his marker with a clever swivel and lashed the ball into the roof of the net from 15 yards.

That victory had enabled the Perth outfit to do the double over City, having won 2-0 with goals from Despotovski and Carbone at Perth Oval in December.

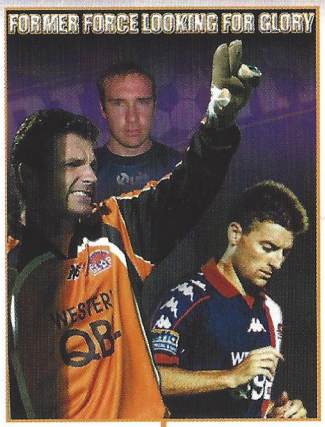
But it was the game in March that was of greater significance, enabling the Glory to stretch its unbeaten run to a record 12 fixtures.

That record is again in sight with the Perth team undefeated now in nine successive league games.

Interestingly, the NSL's record unbeaten run is a remarkable 22 games, which was set by Apia Leichhardt in the 1986-87 season. Apia also lays claim to the longest undefeated start to a season of 20 matches.

As records go, the Adelaide club is no slouch either, having qualified for the NSL top six play-offs for a record 11 seasons in a row from 1989-90 to 1999-00.

The club just missed out last season, finishing seventh in what was deemed to be a re-building phase after losing key players like Mori, goalkeeper Jason Petkovic (also to the Glory), captain Alex Tobin (now at Parramatta) and the influential Milan Ivanovic, who retired.


FORMER FORCE LOOKING FOR GLORY

This season, City has made its almost traditional slow start - although probably a bit more pedestrian than coach Zoran Matic would like - and is in the bottom four with only seven points from nine games, a mammoth 18 points behind the Glory.

The Adelaide side has won only once - a 3-0 home victory over another struggler, Wollongong Wolves, in early November - and its away record is nothing to write home about, having lost three and drawn one on the road. That draw came in the 1-1 stalemate with Melbourne Knights in mid-October.

A 4-1 triumph at Perth Oval in 1997 is now a distant memory of the good old days for a club that is having big problems in scoring both at home and away. Alex Moreira is the top marksman with four, while Scott Tunbridge has three, including the goal in last weekend's 2-1 home loss to Marconi.

Finding the target is hardly a major concern for the Glory, which is the NSL's top scoring club with 23 goals in nine games, eight of them coming in four home fixtures.

Mori is the Glory's top individual striker with nine goals, although he hasn't found the net in the team's last three games.

But it would take a brave man to bet against him rubbing salt into his old club's wounds by adding to that tally tonight.

The mercurial Mori is still in Adelaide's history books as the club's record scorer with 128 goals in eight seasons. He is already the Glory's second all-time top scorer with a quick-fire 28 goals in only 37 appearances. Despotovski is the pacesetter with 65 goals in 139 games.

By Mel Moffat
of *The West Australian*

The coaches' thoughts on tonight's big match

Zoran MATIC: "It will be like little lambs coming to the big wolf."

Mich d'AVRAY: "The wolves have to be hungry before they can eat the lambs."

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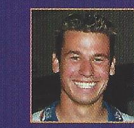

			Fan Mark Cooper	**Mark's favourite Glory player** Jamie Harnwell	**Media** Jonathan Cook *The West Australian*
Perth Glory	v	Adelaide City Force	3-0	3-0	2-0
Marconi Stallions	v	Olympic Sharks	Draw	Olympic	Draw
Football Kingz	v	Newcastle United	Kingz	Draw	Newcastle
Wollongong Wolves	v	Melbourne Knights	Wolves	Wolves	Draw
Sydney United	v	Parramatta Power	Draw	Draw	Power
South Melbourne	v	Brisbane Strikers	Draw	Strikers	Sth Melb

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ROUND 13 MATCHES			MY TIPS
Perth Glory	v	Brisbane Strikers	_____
Wollongong Wolves	v	Northern Spirit	_____
Melbourne Knights	v	Parramatta Power	_____
Football Kingz	v	Olympic Sharks	_____
Marconi Stallions	v	South Melbourne	_____
Sydney United	v	Adelaide City Force	_____

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ROUND 10 ROUND-UP
LAST ROUND IN REVIEW

NEWCASTLE UNITED 1 PERTH GLORY 1

Perth Glory's winning streak finally came to an end at the hands of bogey side Newcastle United, but the 1-1 result means both teams are still unbeaten after 10 rounds. After a largely uneventful opening half hour, Newcastle went ahead after 35 minutes when Joe Schirripa's powerful free-kick beat the Glory wall and rocketed into the far corner. The teenager almost made it 2-0 close to half-time with a brilliant long-range effort. Jamie Harnwell sent a free header wide for the visitors just after the break, before Gary Faria equalised with a superb strike, firing into the bottom corner from the edge of the area after 65 minutes. Travis Dodd and Esala Masi had opportunities to put Newcastle back in front but the Glory had by far the best chances to win the match, with Scott Miller, Harnwell and Faria all going close in the closing moments.

ADELAIDE CITY FORCE 1 MARCONI STALLIONS 2

Adelaide City Force's unbeaten home record this season came to an end as Marconi Stallions won for the first time since Round 6. The home side started strongly and created the first clear chance after 14 minutes but Alex Moreira headed just wide, then minutes later Aurelio Vidmar sent a blistering volley inches past the upright. Adelaide's frustrations continued with Marconi midfielder John Maisano clearing a goalbound effort after 34 minutes and those misses proved costly when Maisano put his side ahead two minutes later with his first NSL goal, a superb strike from the edge of the area. Scott Tunbridge scored his third of the season to equalise for the Force five minutes after half-time but Maisano was on hand soon after to set up another of the Stallions' young guns, Kevo Gulessarian, for what turned out to be the winner.

PARRAMATTA POWER 2 FOOTBALL KINGZ 2

Parramatta Power blew the chance to consolidate their position in the top six when they let a 2-0 lead slip and conceded a last-minute equaliser against Football Kingz. On loan striker Campbell Banks snatched the point for the visitors with a brilliant curling strike from 20 yards that left Power keeper Les Pogliacomi helpless. John Buonavoglia, playing his 100th NSL match, opened the scoring for the Power after 30 minutes, but not before Pogliacomi had deflected a shot from the Kingz' George Goutzioulis onto the post. Zlatko Arambasic made it 2-0 five minutes later and it looked like the Kiwis would suffer a third straight loss but Paul Urlovic gave them hope with his fifth of the season after 57 minutes. Parramatta had several chances to wrap up the points and Banks' last-gasp stunner left them rueing those missed opportunities.

OLYMPIC SHARKS 0 SOUTH MELBOURNE 0

Poor finishing cost Olympic Sharks all three points in an uninspiring match against South Melbourne. Neither side created much in a quiet first half but the Sharks came out biting after the break and were unlucky not to take the lead after 49 minutes. Joe Spiteri met Lindsay Wilson's cross but keeper Michael Petkovic managed to touch the ball onto the crossbar and gathered at the second attempt. Two minutes later Ante Juric had a golden chance to break the deadlock but he too failed to find the back of the net. Further opportunities came and went for the home side and their fans became more and more restless as Souths continued to defend grimly. Their frustrating evening was summed up in the closing minutes when Troy Halpin beat Petkovic with a brilliant strike from 25 yards, only to see the ball cannon back off the woodwork.

NORTHERN SPIRIT 1 SYDNEY UNITED 2

Northern Spirit's woeful home form continued when they went down to a last-minute goal against Sydney United, taking their miserable record at North Sydney Oval to one win in their last 13 outings. United took an early lead when captain Ante Milicic capitalised on some sloppy Spirit defending to volley past Lupce Acevski for his sixth goal of the season. The visitors continued to dominate but couldn't find a second goal and it took a spectacular save by Vilson Knezevic to keep out Rob Enes' long-range drive and deny the Spirit an equaliser on the stroke of half-time. However, the Bravehearts keeper was helpless after 53 minutes when Pablo Cardozo made it 1-1 with a brilliantly taken goal. But with the match heading for a draw, substitute Commins Menapi nipped in and beat Acevski at the second attempt to give United all three points.

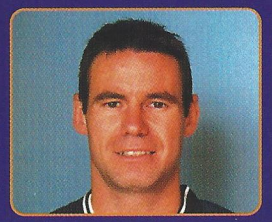
BRISBANE STRIKERS 1 WOLLONGONG WOLVES 1

Brisbane Strikers missed the opportunity to move into outright second position on the table when they were held to a 1-1 draw at home by Wollongong Wolves. But perhaps of more concern to coach John Kosmina was the sight of his star Brazilian Fernando Rech leaving the pitch with an injury after just 30 minutes. Before that, both teams could have been on the scoresheet in a frenetic opening period that saw chances at either end. From there on, the Strikers had the better chances but it was the visitors who took the lead on the stroke of half-time through skipper Stuart Young. However, the struggling Wolves were denied just their second win of the season when the Strikers equalised midway through the second period, John Carbone hitting an unstoppable 30-yard drive into the top right corner for his third goal in six matches.

DID YOU KNOW?

Perth Glory didn't just set an NSL record on the pitch a fortnight ago by winning their eighth straight match - the best ever start to a season by any club - they also smashed a long-standing attendance record. The crowd of 12,247 took the club's total since joining the competition in 1996-97 to more than one million (excluding finals). Only five other clubs have achieved this mark, with Sydney United (Round 2 this season) the most recent. However, the Glory reached the figure in just their 76th home match, by far the quickest of the six clubs. The next fastest was South Melbourne who reached the target in 206 games back in 1992. The Glory are also the first club at which all one million have been to the one venue, whereas the other clubs all had at least two different venues, with Olympic Sharks' one million spread over 12 different home grounds.

Soccer Australia Player of the Week



Ante Milicic - Sydney United

NSL STATISTICS

LEAGUE TABLE AND FIXTURES

LEAGUE TABLE AFTER ROUND 10

TEAM	PL	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Perth Glory	9	8	1	0	23	6	25	+17
Newcastle United	10	5	5	0	13	7	20	+6
Brisbane Strikers	9	5	3	1	14	8	18	+6
Northern Spirit	10	4	3	3	14	14	15	0
Olympic Sharks	9	4	2	3	9	6	14	+3
Marconi Stallions	9	3	3	3	12	12	12	0
Parramatta Power	10	3	3	4	12	14	12	-2
Sydney United	9	3	1	5	9	12	10	-3
Melbourne Knights	9	3	1	5	7	12	10	-5
South Melbourne	9	2	2	5	5	8	8	-3
Adelaide City Force	9	1	4	4	11	12	7	-1
Football Kingz	9	1	3	5	15	24	6	-9
Wollongong Wolves	9	1	3	5	7	16	6	-9

OTHER FIXTURES THIS ROUND

Fri Dec 14	Football Kingz	V	Newcastle United	Ericsson Stadium
Sat Dec 15	Marconi Stallions	V	Olympic Sharks	Marconi Stadium
Sat Dec 15	Wollongong Wolves	V	Melbourne Knights	WIN Stadium
Sun Dec 16	South Melbourne	V	Brisbane Strikers	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun Dec 16	Sydney United	V	Parramatta Power	Sydney United Sports Ctr
	Northern Spirit		Bye	

FIXTURES NEXT ROUND

Fri Dec 21	Newcastle United	V	Sydney United	Marathon Stadium
Fri Dec 21	Adelaide City Force	V	Football Kingz	Hindmarsh Stadium
Fri Dec 21	Northern Spirit	V	Melbourne Knights	North Sydney Oval
Sat Dec 22	Brisbane Strikers	V	Marconi Stallions	Ballymore Stadium
Sat Dec 22	Olympic Sharks	V	Perth Glory	Toyota Park
Sun Dec 23	South Melbourne	V	Wollongong Wolves	Bob Jane Stadium
	Parramatta Power		Bye	

NSL STATISTICS

LEADING GOALSCORERS

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE'S LEADING GOALSCORERS

Player	Club	Last Week	Total
Damian MORI	Perth Glory	-	9
Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	Perth Glory	-	8
Pablo CARDOZO	Northern Spirit	1	6
Ante MILICIC	Sydney United	1	6
Paul FOSTER	Brisbane Strikers	-	5
Joel GRIFFITHS	Newcastle United	-	5
Paul URLOVIC	Football Kingz	1	5

PERTH GLORY'S LEADING GOALSCORERS

Player	Last Week	Total
Damian MORI	-	9
Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	-	8
Brad MALONEY	-	3
Gary FARIA	1	1
Matt HORSLEY	-	1
Scott MILLER	-	1

NSL STATISTICS

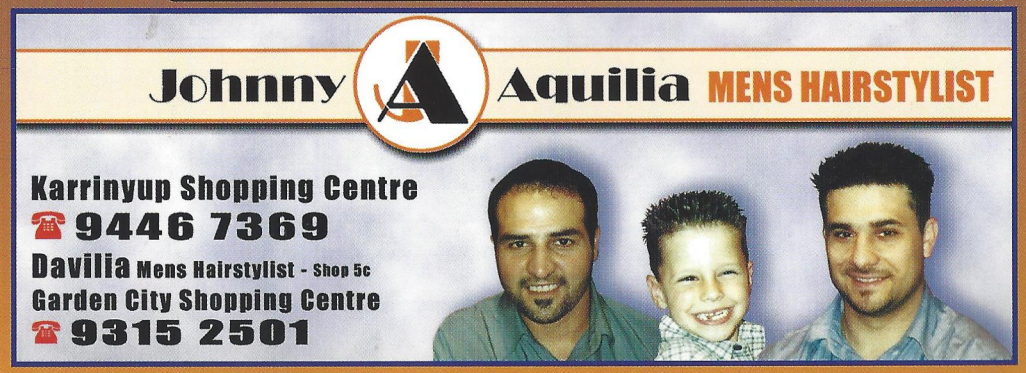
CROWD COMPARISON

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE CROWD COMPARISON

Round 10 (2001-02)	**29,594**
Round 10 (2000-01)	**23,278**
Cumulative after Round 10 (2001-02)	**344,431**
Cumulative after Round 10 (2000-01)	**366,987**

PERTH GLORY HOME CROWD COMPARISON

Perth Glory v Adelaide City Force (2000-01)	**10,912**
Perth Glory v Adelaide City Force BEST CROWD (1997-98)	**17,673**



Round For Glory

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	Perth Glory Goals				0	1	11	3	2	6	15	8	24	65	4	0	0	0	1	28	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	NSL Appearances				223	293	90	30	77	150	199	262	156	162	66	213	0	35	72	336	36	157	278	45	0	2	2	10	35
	NSL Goals				0	37	11	3	3	6	18	70	34	75	4	44	0	0	1	176	4	18	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

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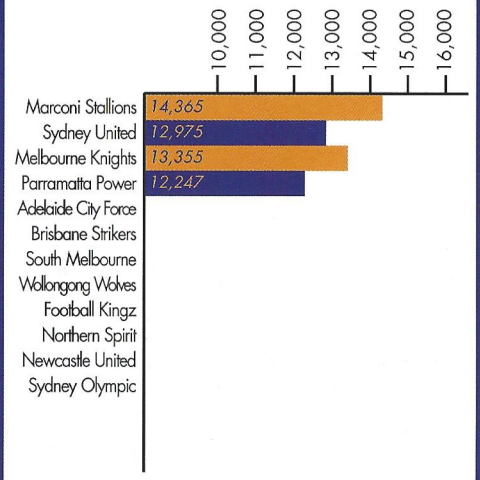

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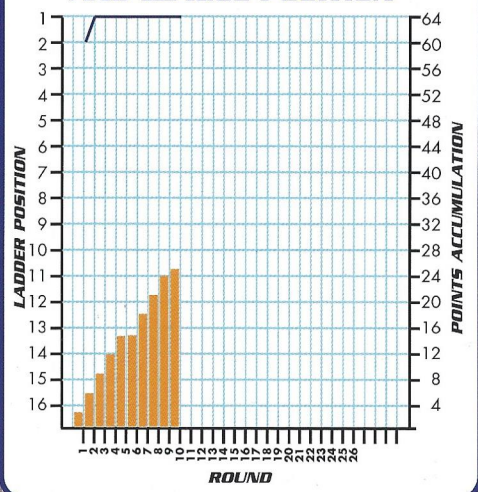

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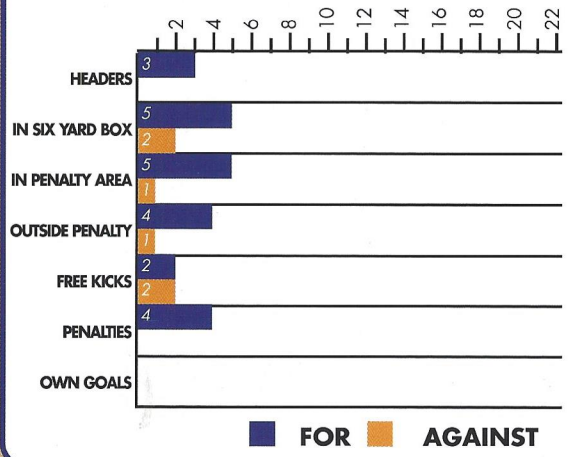

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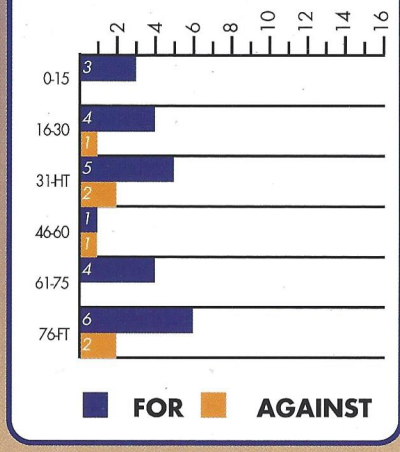
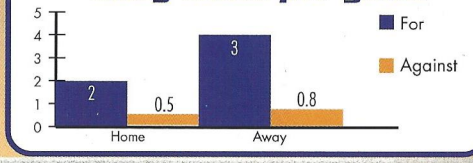


Average No. of Perth Glory Goals per game



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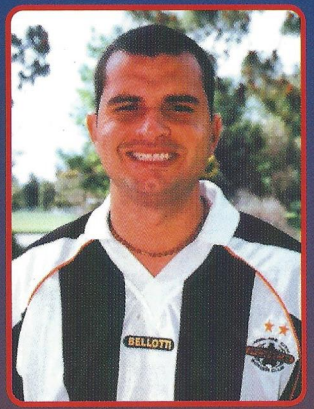
THE OPPOSITION'S STORY
ADELAIDE CITY FORCE

HISTORY

The Juventus soccer club of Adelaide, later to be known as Adelaide City, then Adelaide Force, and finally Adelaide City Force, was the first major Australian soccer club to be formed after the second world war. The club was a key mover in the formation of the NSL - in their first year they boasted the highest average home crowd and clocked up the most number of goals in one game, when they defeated Mooroolbark 10-3. To this day, this stands out as the joint highest scoring NSL game. By 1986, the club were league champions, defeating Sydney Olympic over two legs in the grand final. The Force were ever-present in the league's finals since 1989/90, and appeared in a record consecutive four national league grand finals from 1992 to 1995. They achieved victories in 1992 and 1994, both times against Melbourne Knights in Melbourne. They lost several key players last season and missed the playoffs for the first time in 12 seasons and again look as though they will struggle to be around come finals time.



Signings: Alex Moreira (Spirit), Grzegorsz Lewandowski (Poland), Petar Cestic (Yugoslavia), Matthew Kemp (Spal - Italy), Jeff Campbell (Kingz)

Losses: Kosta Salapasidis (Kallithea - Greece), Brad Hassell (Glory), Claudio Pelosi, Gianluca Lagati, Fabrizio Bucciarelli (released)

Adelaide City Force has found themselves a powerful striker in new signing Alex Moreira, who has scored four times in his nine outings for his new club.

HEAD-TO-HEAD

PERTH GLORY V ADELAIDE CITY FORCE PREVIOUS RESULTS

1996-97	In Perth	Glory	2	Force	1
	In Adelaide	Force	1	Glory	1
1997-98	In Perth	Glory	1	Force	4
	In Adelaide	Force	0	Glory	1
1998-99	In Perth	Glory	1	Force	2
	In Adelaide	Force	0	Glory	1
Semi-final	In Adelaide	Force	0	Glory	0
	In Perth	Glory	2	Force	1
1999-00	In Perth	Glory	0	Force	0
	In Adelaide	Force	1	Glory	2
2000-01	In Perth	Glory	2	Force	0
	In Adelaide	Force	4	Glory	6

HEAD-TO-HEAD RECORD (ALL NSL MATCHES)

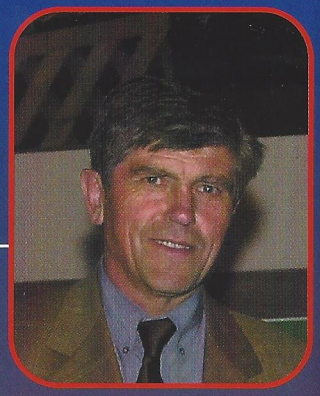
Opponent	P	W	D	L	F	A	Best result	Worst result
v Brisbane Strikers	22	10	7	5	42	31	7-0	1-7
v Football Kingz	6	4	1	1	10	4	2-0	2-3
v Marconi Stallions	52	19	10	23	85	76	5-0	0-3
v Melbourne Knights	43	20	11	12	62	47	6-0	0-4
v Newcastle United	22	4	7	11	18	34	4-0	0-7
v Northern Spirit	7	5	1	1	17	9	3-0	0-1
v Olympic Sharks	52	20	9	23	63	64	3-0	0-3
v Parramatta Power	5	2	0	3	5	4	3-0	0-1
v Perth Glory	12	2	3	7	14	19	4-1	0-2
v South Melbourne	58	20	12	26	70	74	4-1	0-5
v Sydney United	35	11	12	12	43	41	4-0	0-2
v Wollongong Wolves	40	14	12	14	59	55	4-0	2-6

ADELAIDE CITY FORCE

COACH PROFILE Zoran Matic

Coaching career – National Soccer League

Seasons	Club	Games	W-D-L
1986 - 1994-95	Adelaide City Force	278	127-76-75
1996-97	Collingwood Warriors	25	6-9-10
1997-98	Marconi Stallions	30	15-7-8
1998-99 - 2001-02	Adelaide City Force	103	40-26-37
TOTAL NSL		**436**	**188-118-130**



Five facts about Zoran Matic

- Born on December 25, 1944 in Yugoslavia
- Played in Yugoslavia for FK Crvenka, Leskovac, Uzica and Hajduk Kula
- Played 38 games and scored one goal in the NSL with Adelaide City Force between 1977 and 1978
- As a coach, won three NSL championships and three NSL cups, along with one NSL Coach of the Season award
- Became the NSL's most experienced coach in Round 4 of this season, passing Frank Arok's previous record of 429 NSL games

CAPTAIN PROFILE Carl Veart

Playing career – National Soccer League

Seasons	Club	Games	Goals
1989-90 - 1993-94	Adelaide City Force	132	55
1998-99 - 2001-02	Adelaide City Force	98	11
TOTAL NSL		**230**	**66**

Playing career – other leagues

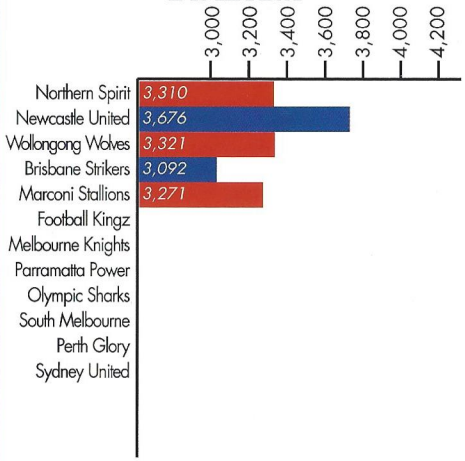
Seasons	Club	Country
1994-95 - 1995-96	Sheffield United	England
1995-96 - 1997-98	Crystal Palace	England
1997-98	Millwall	England

Five facts about Carl Veart

- Born and raised in Whyalla, South Australia
- Represented Australian Schoolboys in 1987
- Signed for Adelaide City in 1989 from South Australian state league club Salisbury
- Played 18 games and scored seven goals for the Socceroos between 1993 and 2000, including an appearance in the 1994 World Cup qualifying match against Argentina in Buenos Aires
- Played 66 games (scoring 16 goals) for Sheffield United, 57 games (six goals) for Crystal Palace and eight games (one goal) for Millwall

SEASON STATISTICS

CROWDS AT HINDMARSH STADIUM



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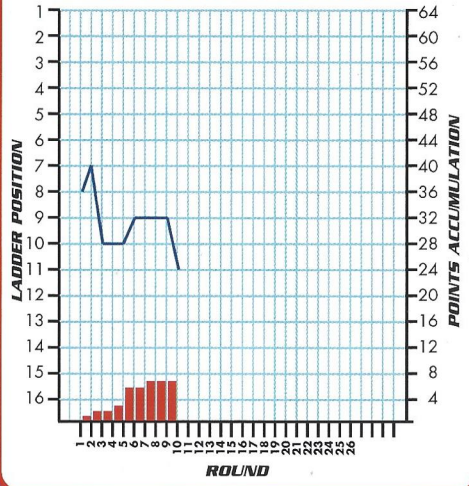

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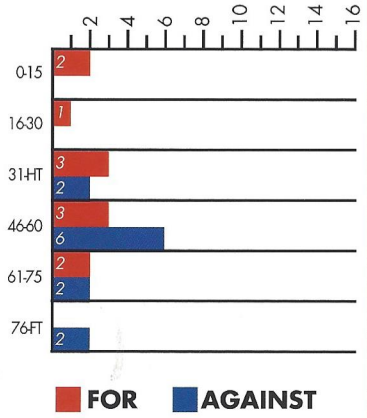


ADELAIDE CITY FORCE FORM GUIDE

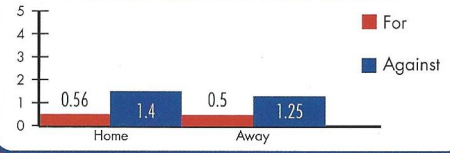
Last five results:

Rnd 10 v Marconi Stallions (H)	- Lost 1-2
Rnd 9 v South Melbourne (A)	- Lost 1-2
Rnd 8 v Brisbane Strikers (H)	- Drew 1-1
Rnd 7 v Olympic Sharks (A)	- Lost 0-1
Rnd 6 v Wollongong Wolves (H)	- Won 3-0

LEADING GOALSCORERS THIS SEASON

Alex Moreira	4
Scott Tunbridge	3
Aurelio Vidmar	2

AVERAGE NO. OF ADELAIDE CITY FORCE GOALS PER GAME



A CHAT WITH ZORAN MATIC

In the fourth round of the current season, Adelaide City Force coach Zoran Matic took over from Frank Arok as the all-time record-holder for the most games coached in the NSL. The match against Parramatta Power was his 430th in charge and the quiet and unassuming boss has still to give an indication of when he might step down from the post he has held on and off since 1979 when he was assistant to Rale Rasic. Zoran spoke to Richard Kreider about his soccer memories in Australia since emigrating from Yugoslavia in late April, 1973 and expressed his concern about the dearth of talent in the competition as Australia's young stars of the future go overseas in search of their dreams.

Firstly Zoran, congratulations and what does the milestone of 430 plus games mean to you?
It means I'm old! But seriously, it's a nice achievement to reach I guess.

Who encouraged you to move to Australia?
I already had an uncle in Australia but I always had ambitions to come here. Besides, my wife would probably say it was to find her!

Your first playing days downunder were with State league side Beograd right?
The first week I arrived in South Australia I remember going down to the club and saying, "I realise soccer is not a major sport so you don't have to pay me anything straight away. I will play six games and if you are happy after that, you can tell me if you want me to sign." I played one game and a club official said: "We like what we've already seen and we shall sign you up now." I know the club was bottom before I signed and we went on to finish third. I ended up having four years with the team.

Then you played 38 games for Adelaide City between 1977 and 1978
Adelaide and Beograd were playing in the same league at the time. Usually, I'm not one for changes and I prefer to be loyal to a particular club. I'm always reluctant to move house, let alone move clubs but I eventually got there at the age of 32. I was also captain of the South Australian team that won its first game against overseas opposition, which was Legia Warsaw. I also played against great teams like Tottenham Hotspur and Chelsea. South Australia had some talented players then, like Billy Birch, Johnny Perin, Barry Reynolds, Bobby Russell, Sergio Melta and Bugsy Nyskohus. I wasn't impressed with training just three times a week, since I was used to training twice a day in Yugoslavia!

You played alongside Perth's own Gary Marocchi back then
Gary was only 21 or 22 when he first played for Adelaide. I played sweeper at the time and Gary was in midfield because I was a lot older. He was a good player, had a lot of skill, good vision and had a good pass on him but the only thing with him was that he played too much on the ball. I remember the last game of one of the early seasons when he mucked around too much with the ball. I finally got it but a late tackle fractured my wrist. I never forgave him for that although we have always been good friends.

What would be your best highlight as a player?
I played for FK Cvenka in Yugoslavia and we gained promotion to the first division. It doesn't get any better than being promoted from the second division.

When did you first start a coaching career?
Beograd suggested I attend a six-month coaching program. This was an invitation to the older professional players and gave us work with juniors and schools. The coach of Beograd had just resigned and I initially accepted a four or five-week term before the new coach arrived from an English holiday. The senior players disappeared so I injected a lot of juniors into the side and we ended up having a pretty good season. I remained in the position for another season although I decided it was too difficult being player/coach.

How and when did you first become coach of Adelaide City?
It was when I retired as a player and Rale Rasic was the coach of Adelaide at the time. He asked me in 1979 if I would work as his assistant, which I did for two seasons.

You won NSL titles in 1986 1992 and 1994. Which one is your most satisfying?
It would have to be the first against Olympic Sharks because it was the one that was accomplished on sheer determination, especially after being a goal down in the first leg. We were not favoured to win but we won because the players wanted it badly.

Many people would have forgotten you coached the now defunct Collingwood Warriors. What happened there?
I'm not normally a selfish person, but this time I was. I had plenty to lose since I left a business in Adelaide. Because of indecisions from the leading administrators, the club was more or less finished after just four weeks. I would never jump ship and I only remained to preserve my pride, even though I could have quite easily flown back home.

One of your senior players in Carl Veart said recently you are the hardest coach he's ever had. Are you naturally a firm leader?
I don't think you will meet a softer man than me. I'm a hard coach when it comes to telling people to play the ball here or there or whatever, but I'm quite different when it comes to understanding people and their problems.

Why has Adelaide soccer lost its attraction?
The only thing that will bring the supporters back is the results. People have been spoilt in Adelaide. A team that plays attractive football will always generate supporters. I think there is still room for a second team in Adelaide and I have always encouraged this because I think rivalry is healthy in our sport.

A CHAT WITH ZORAN MATIC

I believe you don't consider the standard of the NSL is as good as the early nineties
The standard of the NSL is not as strong as it should be because of the pressure on the clubs to produce results and a shortage of young talent. Maybe Perth Glory don't have the pressure as we speak, but if they don't win the premiership next year they could very easily finish with 4,000 plus attendances like us. Nick Tana can spend billions on promotion but what we have is a public that only follows winners. We experienced that with Adelaide City where we are not as good a team as we were and now we are getting ignored. We have the junior structure in place and we wait for them to come through but those same players are heading overseas before they even serve the club.

How can we arrest the problem?
We are not getting 10 million dollars from television rights so we have to generate money from somewhere else to pay the players. There should be a salary cap, but one that is reasonable, logical and affordable. I think we live beyond our dreams and it's been proven - that's why a lot of clubs are falling by the wayside. Soccer doesn't have to be a major sport to be popular - it just has to become a respectable one. There are plenty of people that play the game and the media should embrace us because if you look at it, we are doing community work where we are keeping kids off the streets.

Perth Glory has taken Jason Petkovic, Damian Mori and now Brad Hassell from your club. Any regrets about letting them go?
I never try to stop people from leaving. It's like this; if you have a wife and she doesn't really love you, would you still want to be together?

What do you think of Australia's performances against Uruguay?
It's like a bad dream isn't it? Here was an opportunity to get our game out of the darkroom and into the sunshine, but it didn't happen. So, it's now another four years of hard work and hopefully we can achieve a better outcome then.

Would a fairer qualifying criteria help?
We should not be playing a couple of strong games to qualify when the other nations have a chance to play 10, 12 or even up to 18 games. Unfortunately FIFA don't give us a fair go where we should be involved in some sort of qualifying tournament, so we either make it or break it on our merits. Sadly, our Confederation is very small and so doesn't have the clout. As you know, there is more politics in our sport than in the United Nations!

Richard Kreider

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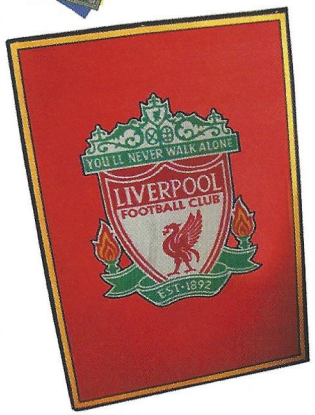

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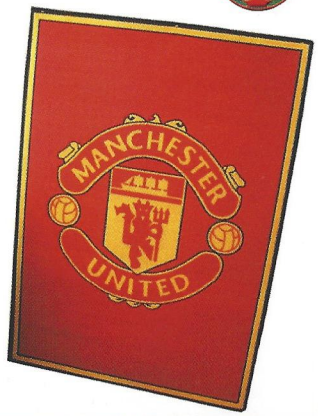

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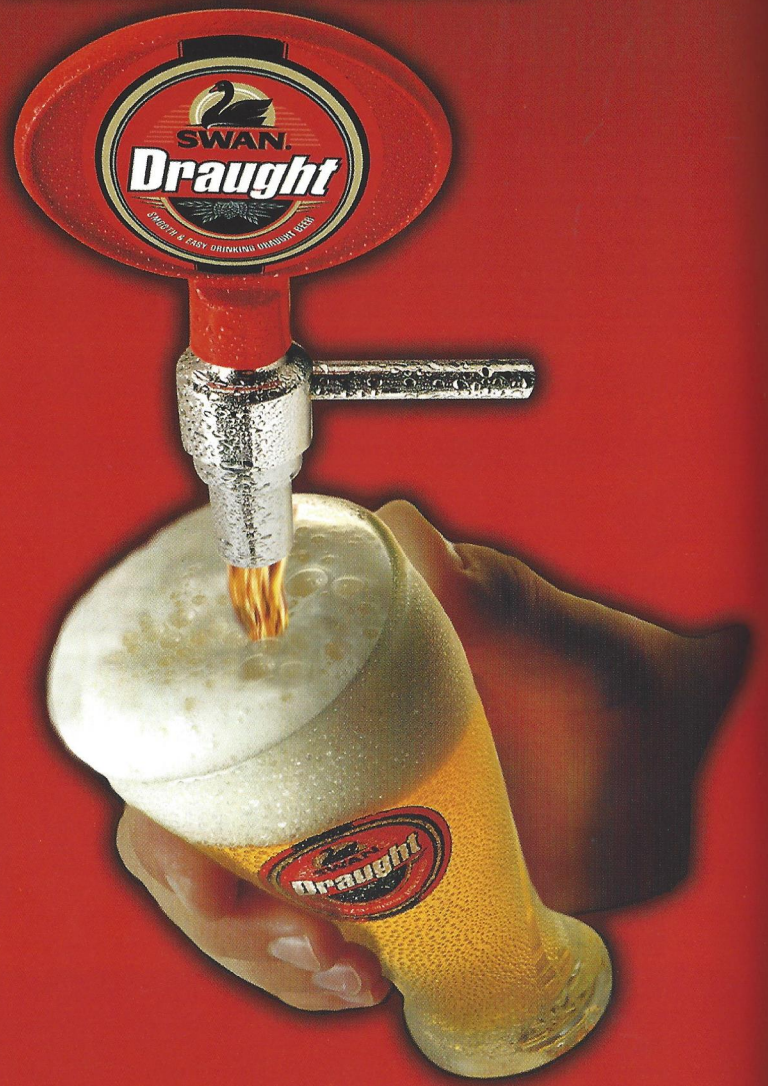

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GARY FARIA
FINDING HIS PLACE IN GLORY

Gary Faria's first full NSL season went so well that he could be forgiven for having been rocked by limited opportunities this time around - but it is perhaps a sign of the spirit at the club this season that instead he could see a silver lining to the cloud.

"It (being on the bench) was a bit disappointing, but sometimes, the way that we were playing, it was good to watch," said the former Fremantle midfielder who lost his place to the naturally left-footed Michael Garcia and found it hard to get back into the starting line-up.

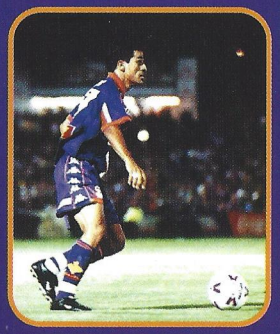
It was an injury to Brad Maloney that opened the door and Faria did well against Parramatta Power before scoring the vital equaliser in a top-class second half performance against Newcastle United.

"The second 45 minutes would have to be up there with the best half that I have played for the club. It was a totally different team to the first half," he said.

"I think we knew we had to push forward to get the equaliser. We should have pinched it at the end."

Faria also believes that being behind and coming back for a point was a good sign for the team.

"It was bit of a shock to the players. The half-time break helped us out. We were able to regroup, but for the first couple of minutes in the changing rooms we were shocked at being 1-0 down.



"It shows our character as we had not been behind yet this year. It shows we can come back after being a goal down."

Faria also said he had not been too concerned about being under pressure for his place.

Though he had thought it would weigh on his mind, he found himself just getting on with his game.

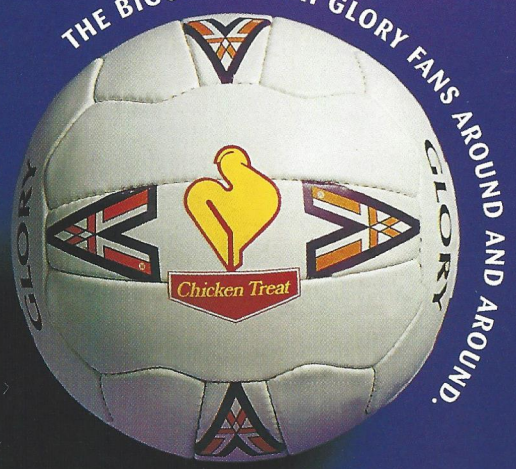
Experienced players like Matt Horsley have helped players like Faria, who are still feeling their way in terms of the NSL.

"Matt is like a big kid. He is the first one into the cricket nets before training and the last to leave.

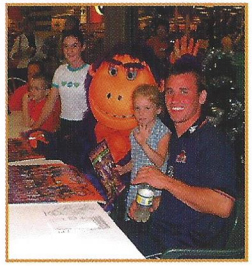
Playing with him is great. He keeps encouraging you to keep going and to have fun. It is a pleasure to play next to him.

"When you give him a bad ball he turns it into a good pass."

Bob Figg



Glory Take Geraldton By Storm



The "Glory In The Community" programme hit top gear as Community Relations Executive Jill Mateljan, Todd Harnwell and Glory Gorilla ventured up to Geraldton for a couple of days recently, with incredible success.

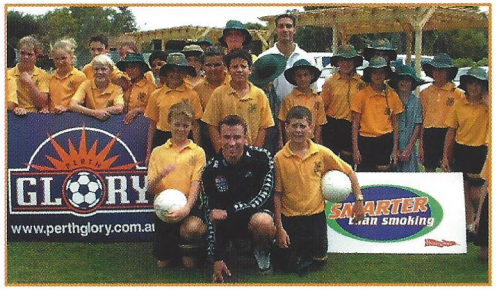
"It was really amazing," Jill said. "I went up the day before in the Glory van and the whole way up people were honking and waving."

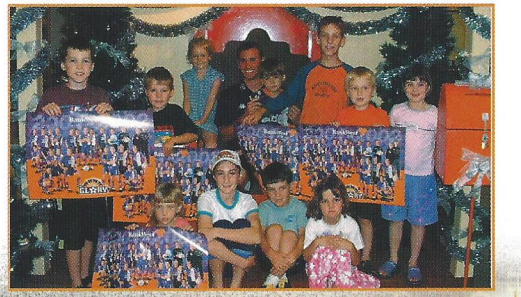
But that was only the beginning - once they arrived in Geraldton, they were swamped. Todd and Jill were kept busy the entire time they were there going from school to school, conducting soccer clinics and giving away Glory posters.

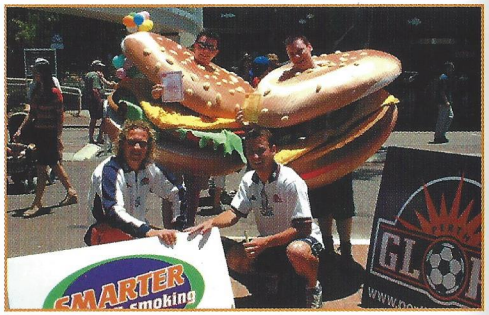
On top of all that, the latest round of the Perth Glory in the Community colouring in competition took place at Geraldton's Northgate Shopping Centre. Needless to say, there was a tremendous response - in fact there was so much interest, there weren't enough chairs to go around.

Eventually, after one of the toughest heats so far, Kristyna Fenton (6) of Geraldton was chosen as the winner and, like all heat winners, she's now in the running for the great prize at the end-of-season final. As usual, Todd helped some of the youngsters colour in their pictures and made sure they all had sharp pencils and the right colours but he wasn't the only one in high demand - Glory Gorilla proved a huge hit ... and not just with the children.

"It was incredible," Jill said. "When he came out and into the shopping centre, people just couldn't believe this huge bright purple thing. They were just looking at him and following him all around the place."





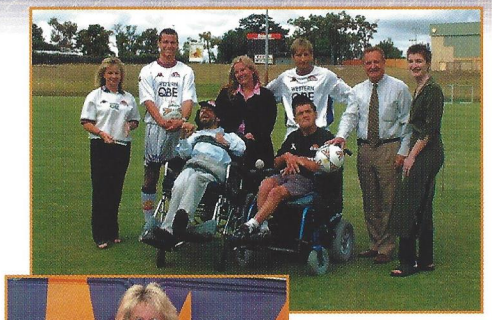


Glory's Party Boys

Todd Harnwell had barely got back from Geraldton when he joined Dion Valle and more than 7,000 others at the inaugural Arty Farty Street Party in Leederville on Sunday, December 2. As the name suggests, it's a day of fun with all sorts of bands, rides and food stalls helping to create a real carnival-like atmosphere. Both players must have lost count of the number of times they were congratulated by well-wishers as they signed Glory posters, before taking part in a live cross with radio station Heritage fm (93.7fm).

Top Prize For Glory's Community Programme

The Glory may be heading towards their second premiership and hopefully a first-ever championship but they've already picked up one award this season that means as much to the club as any trophy for on-field success. Town of Vincent Lord Mayor, Nick Catania, recently presented the Glory with the Town of Vincent Improved Access Award, an award that recognises the club's commitment to helping disabled people attend Glory home matches. Jill Mateljan, who accepted the award on behalf of the club at the Town of Vincent council chambers, said the Glory were nominated by the Cerebral Palsy Association because their carers were admitted into the ground free of charge. Jill said the cerebral palsy sufferers are all mad Glory supporters and they are able to view the games from an area near the halfway line that gives them a perfect view. "We make a special effort to cater for everybody at our games," Jill said. "We recognise everybody across all walks of life and ensure access for people with disabilities is as good as we can make it."



"There were a number of awards given out," she added, "but ours was the biggest award on the day."

"This is what the Glory in the Community programme is about - giving something back to the community when we can, helping a charity or a needy cause."

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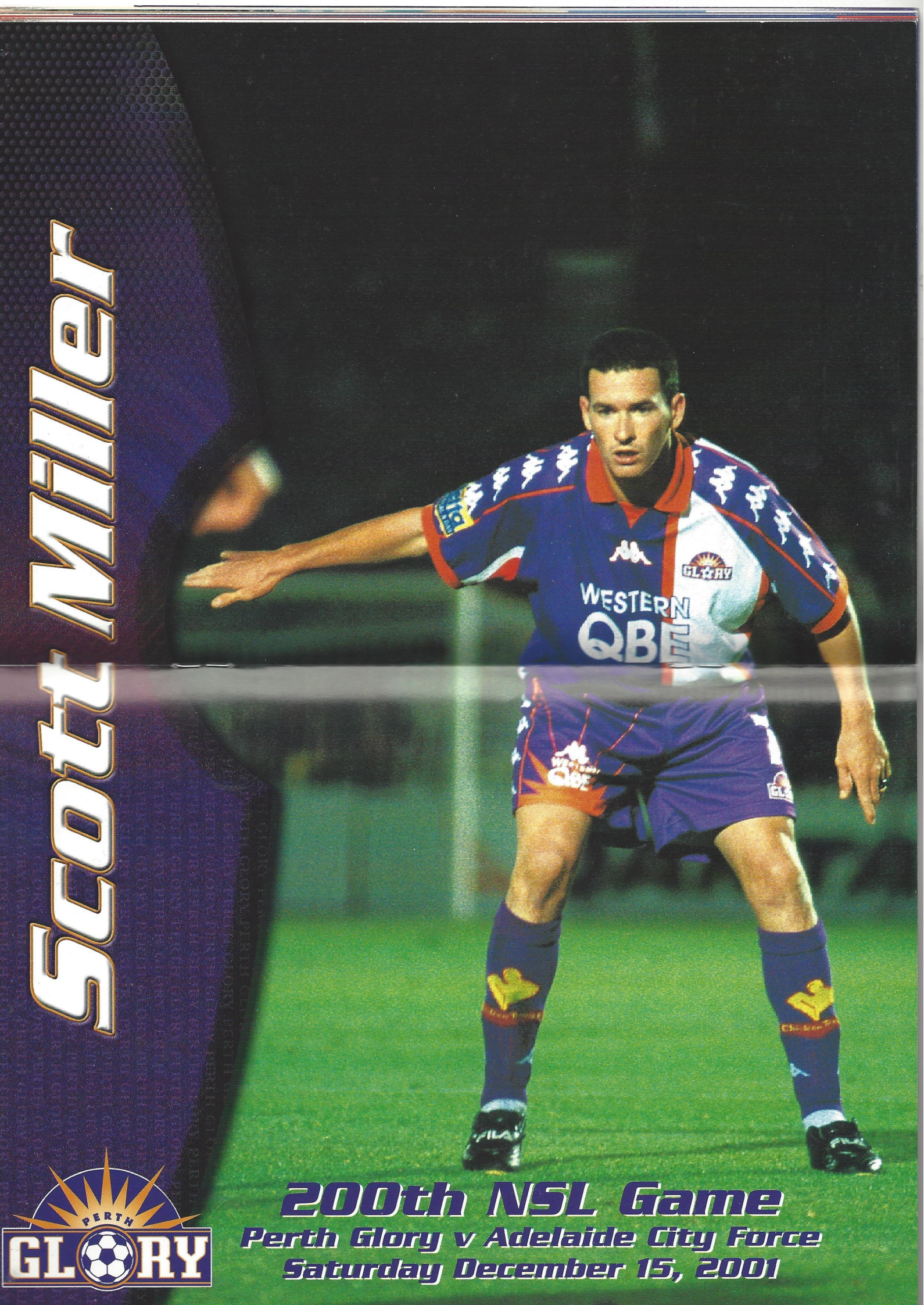
Scott Miller



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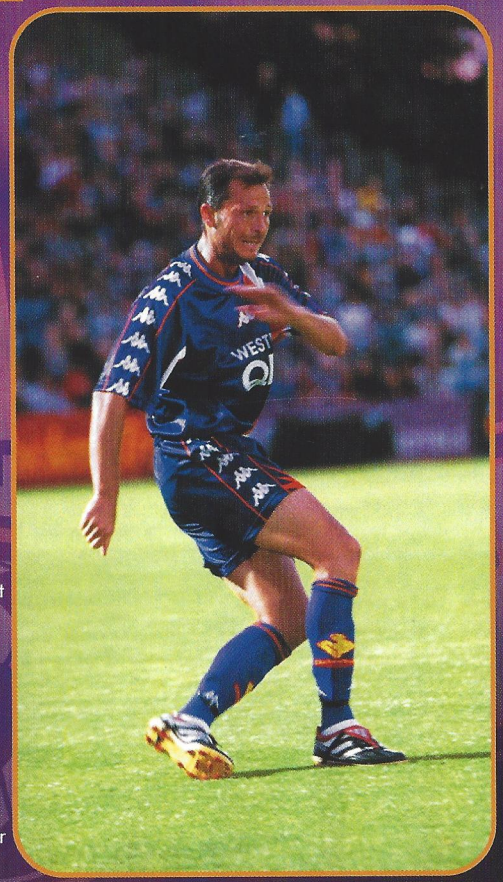
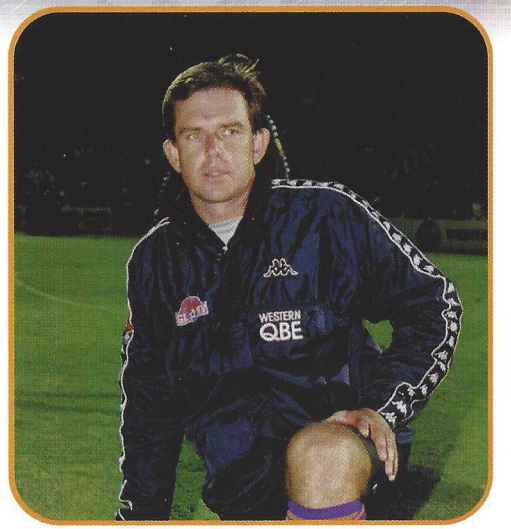


Place And Date Of Birth: Newcastle, August 18, 1973
Height: 182cm
Weight: 77kg
Perth Glory Playing Number: 18
Position: Defender
Representative Honours: Northern NSW Team
Other Senior Clubs Played For: Newcastle United
Best Aspect Of Your Game: Being on time
Worst Aspect Of Your Game: Turning up
Most Memorable Match Played In: My first first-grade match in the NSL
Most Embarrassing Moment On A Soccer Pitch: I can't think of any
Funniest Teammate: Alistair Edwards
Best Soccer Match Ever Seen: Under-7s game but don't know who the teams were
Most Admired Sportsperson (non-soccer): Eric "the eel"
Childhood Soccer Hero: "Johnny Mac"
Best Player In The NSL: John Carbone
Best Aussie Playing Overseas: Harry Kewell
Best Player In The World: Can't name one in particular
Favourite Overseas Club: Liverpool and Juventus
Advice To Youngsters: Be good to your mother and respect people who respect you
Other Interests / Hobbies: Skydiving, crafts
Favourite TV Show: The Secret Life Of Us
TV Show You Can't Stand: Game shows
Favourite Movie: Rocky I - IV
Favourite Actor & Actress: Matt Horsley and Julia Roberts
Favourite Type Of Music: Anything but Country and Western
Favourite Food: Chicken Schnitzel
Food You Can't Stand: Nothing really
Favourite Drink: Water (non-alcoholic), Wild Turkey (alcoholic)
Bad Habits: Eating too much
Superstitions: None

TONY FRANKEN
KEEPING UP THE FAITH



Harry Kewell not a committed Aussie? Rubbish! So says Perth Glory goalkeeper Tony Franken, who knows better than most about the dedication of the Leeds United wonder player.

"Harry is so dinky-di that I reckon he will captain the Socceroos within a few years," said Franken, who recently returned to Perth after acting as goalkeeper coach to the national team in the World Cup qualifiers against Uruguay and the glamour friendly against France.

Kewell has, in the past, been described as a reluctant Australian because of his continual unavailability for international fixtures and this perception appeared to be strengthened with rumours coming out of the Socceroos camps that he was unhappy with the striking role handed to him by national coach Frank Farina.

But this is nonsense, according to Franken. "I saw Harry up close, he was a nice guy, great to work with and I couldn't fault him for his passion and commitment - he wears his heart on his sleeve," said the veteran keeper.

"I found it a magical experience being involved with elite players like Harry. Seeing what he does on the training track was an eye-opener, an experience I never wanted to end."

Franken was mainly responsible for making sure that keepers Mark Schwarzer and Zeljko Kalac stayed sharp and focused.

"It was basically man management - you can't teach these fellows new tricks," he said. "Mark is a true professional - he can't get enough of training. Zeljko is a bit of a clown prince - a real joker, great fun. Both are nice guys."

Franken said he was thankful to the Glory, giving him the time off to pursue a dream. But he's not sure if the dream will continue because of impending changes in the national team's coaching set-up. Assistant Graham Arnold has been shown the door, while Farina is still talking about the possibility of a new contract, with less pay.

"I haven't been sacked or anything like that - I don't have a contract anyway - but if Frank Farina continues as coach I'm hoping I will still be called on for international matches," he said.

Goalkeeper coaching would appear to be very much what the future holds for Franken, who feels he may have come to the end of his playing days with the Glory. His contract ends this season, although he would like to continue as long as possible in a career that has seen him play 278 NSL games, 39 of them for the Perth team.

He said: "My personal view is that a club - particularly one as big as the Glory - needs three keepers and I'd like to stay around to pass on my experience maybe in a goalkeeper/coaching role and as a stand-by keeper. You never know when you might be needed."

His involvement with the Socceroos has probably cost him the position as No 1 understudy to first-choice keeper Jason Petkovic, with new signing Vince Matassa being promoted to the substitutes' bench for the last four games.

"I understand where Mich (Glory coach d'Avray) is coming from, for Vince is nearly 10 years younger than me, so I suppose the writing is on the wall," said Franken, who will be 37 on January 11.

He hasn't played a competitive game for the Glory since November 21, 1999. He did nothing wrong on that occasion, the team romping to a 6-1 home win over Melbourne Knights, but the club signed Petkovic, who took over the following week and hasn't missed a game since.

Franken, however, can be proud of his contribution to the club, playing a hero's role when it crashed into the top six finals for the first time in the 1998-99 season, getting to the preliminary final before losing to Sydney United.

He feels this could be the breakthrough season for the club's first crown.

"Everyone in the Eastern States is tipping us to win the league by about 10 points, but it's less predictable when it comes to the play-offs," he said.

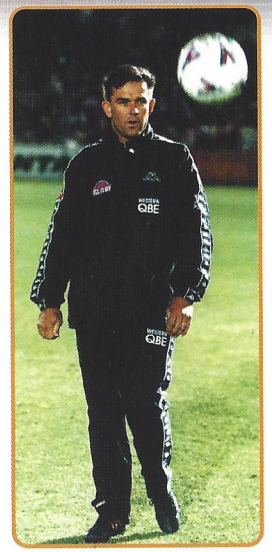
"I think the club has matured considerably. There's great stability there and it's starting to do the sort of things that teams like Adelaide City and South Melbourne did in their glory years.

"We have the basis of a strong squad and using the same 15 or so players in our games so far has definitely helped.

"There's a mental toughness now about the Glory. We lacked that before.

"On early form I can't see anyone who will beat us, but, of course, there's still a long way to go.

"However, we have a big advantage over others by having Damian Mori and Bobby Despotovski. They're the best strikers in the league. If they remain fit and avoid suspensions, then they are a 30 to 35 goal combination and that will be a major factor in claiming the title."



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The Socceroos' goalkeeping coach, who was on the bench during Australia's historic World Cup clashes with Uruguay, will be joined for the clinics by Perth Glory goalkeeping coach and former NSL star Willie McNally.

And with those at the top of the tree for Australia backing Franken's coaching expertise, demand for places on the courses will be high.

Current Socceroo number one Mark Schwarzer says the best thing young keepers can do is work on their skills.

"Technique is everything in goalkeeping," says Schwarzer, who plays his club football with Middlesbrough in the English Premier League.

"I have worked with Tony in the Socceroos and even at this level technique is still important to me."

The man who was number two to Schwarzer during the World Cup campaign, Zeljko Kalac has a simple message for young WA keepers.

"Learn from the best," he said of Franken.

The clinics will run from 8:00 am to 9:30am at Prendiville College, Ocean Reef and 10:30am to noon at Aquinas College in Manning.

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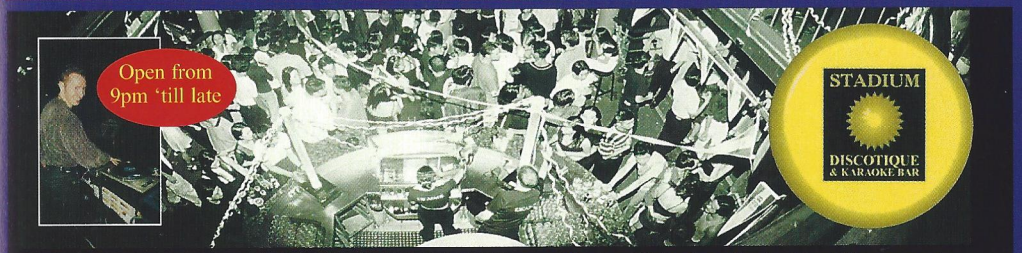

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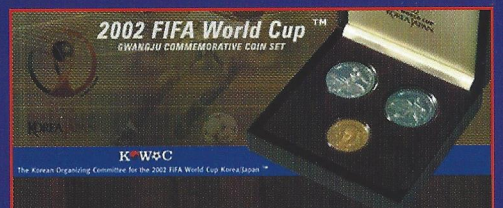

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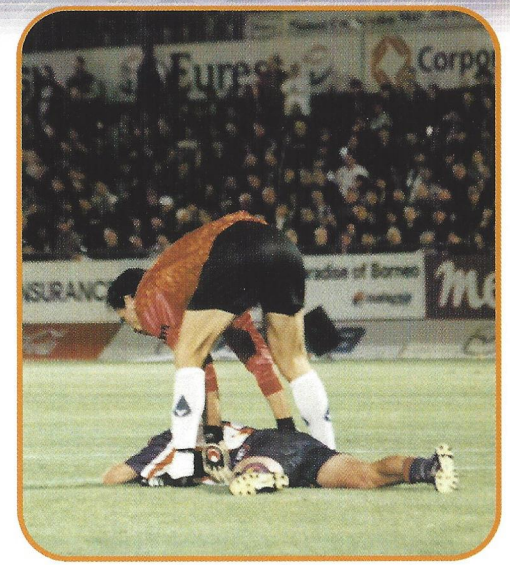


Parramatta's ex-Wollongong goalkeeper, Les Pogliacomi, had a run in with his former captain Matt Horsley.

Perth Glory 2 — **Parramatta Power 1**

Despotovski 4, 17 (pen) — Arambasic 27

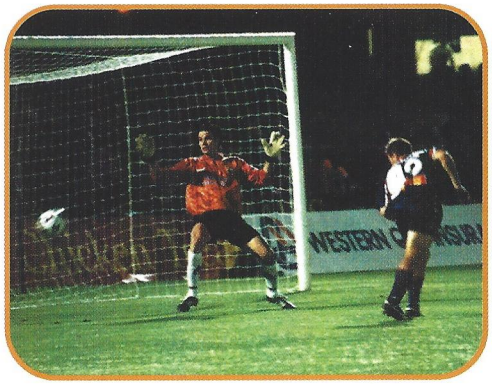
Half-Time Score: 2-1

Attendance: 12,247

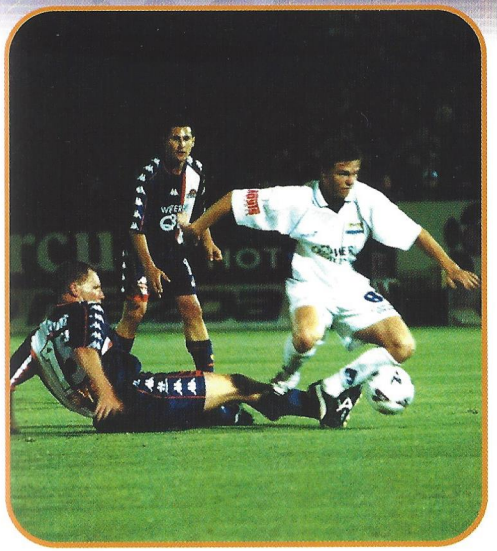
Yellow Cards:
Perth Glory – None

Parramatta Power – Les Pogliacomi, Ahmad Elrich

Perth Glory continued their perfect start to the season and set a new record for the best-ever start by a team in the NSL's 25-year history when they beat Parramatta Power 2-1 in an entertaining match at Perth Oval. The victory, the club's eighth in succession, was set up by two early goals to Bobby Despotovski, who cast aside any pre-match doubts about his fitness with another brilliant man of the match performance. Despotovski opened the scoring after just four minutes when he pounced on a half-clearance to blast an unstoppable drive into the roof of the net from 20 yards. Thirteen minutes later, it was 2-0 and again Despotovski was heavily involved, providing an exquisite through ball to Michael Garcia who rounded Power keeper Les Pogliacomi before being brought down for a penalty. The visitors were far from happy with referee Eddie Lennie's decision but Despotovski easily beat Pogliacomi from the spot for his eighth goal of the season. Damian Mori missed a wonderful chance to make it 3-0 when he uncharacteristically directed a free header wide from eight yards and the Power took advantage of the let-off, scoring themselves to make it 2-1. John Buonavoglia got on the end of a long clearance and slipped the ball through to Zlatko Arambasic who held off his opponent and finished clinically from eight yards. Jason Petkovic had to react smartly to smother after a great run by the Power's Ahmad Elrich soon after, while Matt Horsley couldn't quite steer his header under the crossbar after a great Glory move down the right just before the break. Despotovski twice went close early in the second half, first turning his marker superbly and flashing a 25-yard effort inches over the bar, then having a goalbound shot blocked, with Edgar Junior blasting the follow-up over from the edge of the area. The visitors continued to push forward in search of the equaliser and after 74 minutes a classic Glory counter attack ended with Pogliacomi racing off his line to save from Horsley, then watching in relief as Gary Faria's follow-up effort was blocked. Despotovski had a late chance to finish off Parramatta but surprisingly slipped the ball back to Edgar who sliced wide from 18 yards, then Petkovic made a wonderful stop to deny Steve Fitzsimmons what looked a certain goal. Horsley had a strong penalty claim turned down in the closing minutes and substitute Alistair Edwards almost chipped in for a goal as the Glory held on to create a piece of NSL history.



Damian Mori came close to scoring with this header but it flew just wide of the post.



Edgar Junior put in his usual solid performance, even battling from the ground.

Man of the match was undeniably Bobby Despotovski, who gave his side a 2-0 lead only 17 minutes into the match despite pre-game fitness doubts.

Mich d'Avray's Reaction:

"It was tight but what a difference between tonight and two weeks ago. It makes a big difference when a team comes here and tries to play like Parramatta did."

"There was a 20-minute spell in the first half where it was the best I've seen Perth Glory play since I've been here."

Best players for Perth Glory:

Bobby Despotovski, Matt Horsley, Craig Deans, Edgar Junior

Subs: Alistair Edwards for Mori (84 mins)

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Perth Glory 1 — Gary Faria 65

Half-Time Score: 1-0

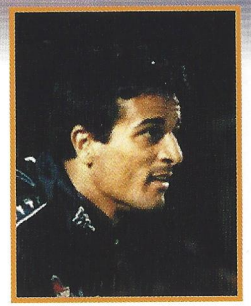
Attendance: 12,003

Yellow Cards:
Newcastle United - Mark Wilson

Perth Glory - None

Perth Glory came back from a goal down at the break to earn a share of the points in this top-of-the-table clash that saw Mich d'Avray's side drop its first points of the season. Gary Faria's brilliant second-half strike cancelled out Joe Schirripa's 35th minute opener but the visitors will feel they should have made it win number nine in a row after wasting a series of great chances late in the game. Clear-cut opportunities were hard to find in the opening half hour as both teams struggled to come to terms with the disgraceful playing surface, made even worse by heavy rain in the lead-up to the match. Matt Horsley had a goalbound volley blocked after a good move involving Damian Mori and Bobby Despotovski, but it was Newcastle who took the lead six minutes later. Craig Deans was ruled to have body-checked Robbie Middleby on the right edge of the Glory's area and Schirripa blasted the free-kick past a helpless Jason Petkovic. The teenager almost made it 2-0 on the stroke of half-time, his bending 25-yarder flying just wide after Mark Wilson had failed to convert a great chance seconds earlier. Perth came out firing after the break and Jamie Harnwell looked certain to equalise when Scott Miller picked him out with a corner but the big defender headed wide from 10 yards. Alistair Edwards replaced Michael Garcia as Mich d'Avray reshaped his line-up and the move paid handsome dividends with Faria making it 1-1 after 65 minutes. Edgar Junior mesmerised a couple of United opponents on the edge of the box before touching the ball back to Faria who brilliantly buried it into the bottom left corner.

Subs: Alistair Edwards for Garcia (62 mins)



However, the home side could have regained the lead immediately but Petkovic did wonderfully well to block Travis Dodd's shot after the midfielder had jinked his way into the Glory area. Mori went close with a header, then Faria hit a blistering 30-yarder that flew just past the upright, as the league leaders lifted a notch. Miller and Harnwell both headed good chances wide in the closing moments when they might have done better, but the final opportunity of the match fell to Newcastle's Esala Masi in the last minute. Petkovic could only half-clear a dangerous cross from the right and the Fijian international's well-hit shot from 25 yards didn't clear the crossbar by much.

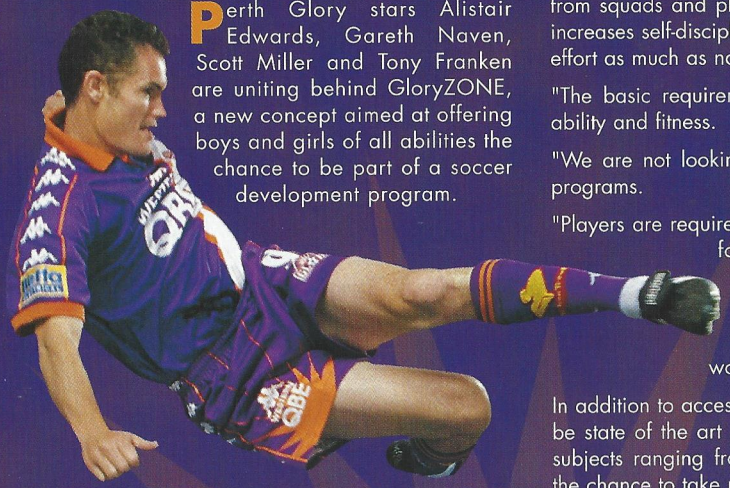
Mich d'Avray's Reaction: "I think we were well worth the point. We played some good stuff and had most of the possession and I think the better chances."

"It was a bit of an unfortunate goal (Newcastle's) but we didn't drop our heads, we kept going and in the end I thought we could have won it."

Best players for Perth Glory: Gary Faria, Matt Horsley, Edgar Junior, Jason Petkovic

GloryZONE

SOCCER FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART



Perth Glory stars Alistair Edwards, Gareth Naven, Scott Miller and Tony Franken are uniting behind GloryZONE, a new concept aimed at offering boys and girls of all abilities the chance to be part of a soccer development program.

Edwards is general manager of the program, with his three fellow Glory players operating as head coaches.

GloryZONE aims to provide a highly professional and co-ordinated structure which helps identify, nurture and develop soccer players and help them reach their potential.

While most current development programs focus on the elite young players, GloryZONE is designed to offer support to players of all abilities and all ages.

Edwards said the program was aimed at four main groups.

"We are looking to assist players, both boys and girls, aged from seven to 18. Young players who may not have realised their potential at the current age, but have the right attitude, players who have been cut from squads and players who want a program that increases self-discipline, self-confidence and rewards effort as much as natural ability.

"The basic requirements for members are attitude, ability and fitness.

"We are not looking to interfere with any existing programs.

"Players are required to attend only one session per fortnight and two weeks of selected school holidays.

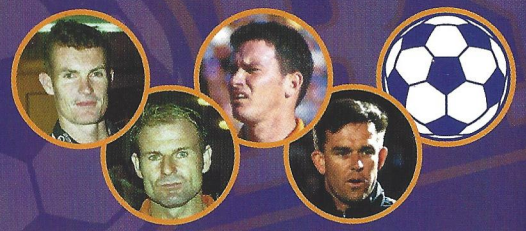
"The emphasis is on individual skills and fitness as well as the work ethic.

In addition to access to top coaching, there will also be state of the art physiological testing, lectures on subjects ranging from goal setting to podiatry and the chance to take part in overseas tours.

"I am confident people will find GloryZONE offers excellent value for money and will be a big help to their children not only in sport but in life in general," Edwards said.

To find out more about the GloryZONE program call 9388 3548 or visit www.gloryzone.com.au

Bob Figg



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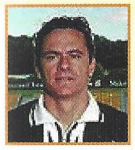
AUSTRALIAN NEWS

SOCCEROOS STAND BY THEIR MAN

The jewel in Australian soccer's crown, Harry Kewell, could quit international soccer if Frank Farina is not reappointed as Socceroos coach. "If Frank decides to go, I'd assess my future (with the Socceroos), depending on who Soccer Australia appoints to replace him," Kewell said. "I've never had any problems working with Frank. We have a great relationship. He has my total support and I'm sure that goes for the whole team. It's all very well to talk about getting somebody else in, but so far no one with any reputation or standing in the game has been mentioned." Wolves defender Kevin Muscat and Craig Moore of Rangers have also said they will consider their futures with the national side if Farina is ousted. Muscat said: "If Frank and Arnie (assistant Graham Arnold) are pushed out of the door, which is what appears to be happening, a few players might say, 'That's enough'. Only time will tell." Moore was equally forthright saying: "If reports of what's being offered are true, I can't see how Frank can stay on. I hope they see sense and tie down Farina for the future. He and Graham Arnold created a great atmosphere to work in. I think Frank did very well in a short space of time. Frank is certainly the man to take us forward. He shouldn't carry the can for what went wrong in Uruguay. We as players have to look at ourselves and admit that we were poor on the day."

KING RUFER STANDS DOWN



Oceania's Player of the 20th century Wynton Rufer has officially retired from the game, admitting it was largely as a result of a difference of opinion over training with new Football Kingz coach Kevin Fallon. Fallon had demanded that Rufer train full-time with the rest of the squad, while Rufer said his contract with former coach Mike Petersen stipulated he only had to attend team training three times a week. Rufer was already believed to be at odds with Fallon after he was preferred to his (Rufer's) brother Shane (then the club's assistant coach), when Mike Petersen left the club after just four games. The rift widened earlier in the week when Fallon publicly doubted Rufer's commitment, saying: "For me, it's basically all over, I can't coach a ghost. I can't have special conditions for him. I've got to treat him like every other player. The boy's nearly 40. He's not interested." He went on to say that Rufer had been to only one of the 25 coaching sessions he had since taking over at the Kingz.

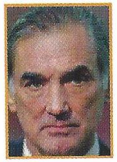
BOSNICH ON HIS WAY ... AGAIN?

Chelsea has dismissed speculation that Australian goalkeeper Mark Bosnich is set to leave the club. The latest rumours circulating the British press claim that Bosnich, who is currently out with a thigh strain, could be on his way out of Stamford Bridge after coach Claudio Ranieri insisted he would stick with Carlo Cudicini in goal. Bosnich turned in a number of excellent performances for the Blues before suffering the injury against Everton and another lengthy stay on the bench could force the former Socceroo shot-stopper to look for other options. Speaking after Cudicini's heroics earned Chelsea a draw at Sunderland, Ranieri said: "I have three good goalkeepers and I sometimes choose one and I want to continue with that one. "After they are injured, I put the second one in and then the third, but only because the first goalkeeper was injured. Now I'm playing Carlo, I'll continue with Carlo. That's normal."

KENNETT ON THE ATTACK

In the wake of the furore surrounding Soccer Australia's handling of the Socceroo coaching position, Jeff Kennett has again called for an independent commission. "I think all of this, and it's not just the appointment of a coach, or a new coach, unfortunately the administration of Soccer Australia is in denial and there is a fundamental meltdown," Kennett said. "These people, sadly, as a collection of people are unable to administer the game to realise the game's potential. They're all trying to desperately hold onto their positions for personal reasons, but if they were acting in the interests of soccer, they'd get out of the way and allow an independent commission to take over. The reality is we've had the Stewart Royal Commission, and those in charge of soccer did not put into place the recommendations of Stewart. My argument is very clear, we have the capacity to realise huge potential from soccer in Australia being administered and played professionally within this country and internationally. But it's not the responsibility of governments, it's the responsibility of those associated with soccer. If soccer doesn't heal itself, or attempt to heal itself, none of us will have any confidence or interest in it as a code."

UNITED NO LONGER BEST, SAYS GEORGE



George Best has described Manchester United's current plight as "a shambles" - and questioned Sir Alex Ferguson's rotation system. Best warned that United could end up trophyless this season after they lost their sixth Premiership game of the campaign last weekend, going down 1-0 at home to West Ham United. Like many others, Best questioned Ferguson's decision to rest star players Juan Sebastian Veron and Ruud van Nistelrooy - and leave England skipper David Beckham on the bench. He said: "I just don't understand why he's resting players. They are paid so well and there are 67,000 people screaming them on, so why do they need a rest. It just doesn't make sense in my opinion. You need your best players out there doing it for you week in, week out. It's all gone pear-shaped and it's a bit of a shambles."

"SCARY" ENGLAND CAN WIN: SHERINGHAM

England can win the World Cup because they have players who can "scare the hell" out of their opponents, according to Teddy Sheringham. The Tottenham Hotspur and England striker sees no reason not to be optimistic about England's chances despite their supposed "Group of Death" draw. "It's an extremely tough draw... but then I prefer it to be tough," he said. "I think it's far easier for you to be burdened by expectations when you get drawn against easier opposition. I can't imagine for one minute that the other teams in our group believe it's going to be easy facing England. We have plenty of depth and quality in the squad and plenty of players who scare the hell out of other teams. I'm well aware that there are other teams in the finals with equal potential, but along the way you get that bit of luck that makes the difference and suddenly your fortunes change. Look at France 98. We were extremely unfortunate not to get past Argentina. Had we done so, who knows how far we would have gone? Maybe it's our turn for a bit of luck - it wouldn't be before time."

JUST ONE PROBLEM - WHERE'S THE OPPOSITION?

Hospitalet were eliminated from Spain's King's Cup recently after it carried out its threat not to move from its stadium to play a fourth round tie against Deportivo La Coruna. The third division side ended up forfeiting the tie and are likely to be fined and excluded from next year's competition, while Deportivo will go through to the quarter-finals without having to play either leg of the tie. Hospitalet, who normally play home matches on an artificial pitch, had earlier rejected a Spanish football federation ruling that the home leg of the tie should be played on grass at Barcelona's Mini Estadi two kilometres away from its ground. In a bizarre sequence of events, Deportivo were left warming up on the pitch of a deserted Mini Estadi while it waited in vain for its opponents to appear. Referee Eduardo Iturralde Gonzalez followed the federation rules to the letter and waited 30 minutes for Hospitalet to turn up before awarding Deportivo their easiest win of the season.

CLAIMS OF MATCH FIXING

Belarus star Gennady Tumilovich has claimed his teammates were bribed to lose to Wales in a vital match that could have resulted in them playing off against Germany for a place in the World Cup finals. John Hartson scored the only goal at the Millennium Stadium in October as Wales beat Belarus 1-0, a result that combined with Ukraine's 1-1 draw in Poland, sent Ukraine into the play-offs as Group Five runners-up. Belarus would have gone through to meet the second placed team from Group Nine if they had won in Cardiff and the Poland-Ukraine score been the same. But goalkeeper Tumilovich said that wasn't going to happen. "Let's just say that some of our players were offered certain material gifts and were, at best, going through the motions." Belarus had beaten Wales 2-1 in Minsk the first time the two nations met in Group Five with goals from Valiantsin Bialkevich and Aliksandr Khatskevich, who both play in Ukraine for Dynamo Kiev. For whatever reason, Bialkevich and Khatskevich both refused to travel to Cardiff for the reverse fixture that Belarus had to win to stand a chance of reaching the World Cup, claiming it was a protest at being dropped for the previous qualifier against Poland. However, Tumilovich is known as a somewhat "colourful" character whose career has seen him boozily steal the team bus, miss flights to away games and crash his car into a lamp-post, so he may not be seen as the most reliable of sources.

AROUND THE GLOBE
INTERNATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

SPECIAL DELIVERY ... BY AIR

Security was so tight around the US team that recently played in South Korea that even salad dressing for the players had to be specially flown in. Following heightened precautions ordered after the September 11 terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, South Korea put blanket security around the US team after it arrived for a match to officially open one of the 10 stadiums to be used for next year's World Cup finals. "For the US meals, a sealed container of salad dressing has been airlifted here," an anonymous security official said. Football's international governing body FIFA advised the World Cup co-hosts to have players' meals tested for anthrax. On top of about 1,500 local police deployed in and around the new Sogwipo stadium and the US team hotel, special commandos and plain clothes bodyguards also provided around-the-clock security for the team. A 10-strong elite police security service team stood by on a hotel floor where US players were sealed off from other guests. Wherever US players were, Special Weapons Attacks Teams followed nearby. "Not a single ant could break through without permission," said security team leader Lee Kil-Hyong. Metal detectors were set up at all stadium entrances where security personnel check the identification of each spectator. South Korea says it will offer armed bodyguards to most players and key figures, including FIFA leaders. The country has already decided to impose no-fly zones around its 10 stadiums.

DAUM CRACKS ON COCAINE CHARGE

German football coach Christoph Daum told a court he had been a regular cocaine user but denied dealing in the drug. Daum, who faces charges of procuring cocaine and inciting others to traffic in the substance said his trial made him feel like a condemned man. The 48-year-old, who had been due to take over as coach of the German national team until the drugs and sex scandal erupted last year, said he had been an occasional user of cocaine. "I'm ready to take responsibility for my actions. But what is happening here, this trial, it feels to me like an execution," Daum said, adding that he may have been framed. Daum was a star in the world of German football and was hailed as the man to revive the German team after its disastrous performance in the Euro 2000 tournament. He was named coach of the national team on July 1, succeeding interim coach Rudi Voller. However, the deal imploded when he tested positive for cocaine after leading figures in the German game voiced concerns at rumours over his lifestyle and Daum tried to silence critics with the test.

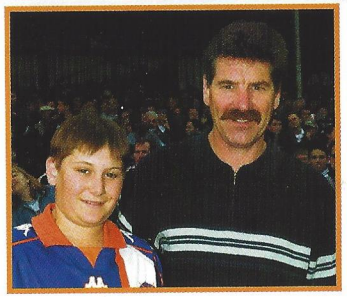
REAL TREATMENT FOR STAR DUO

Spanish giants Real Madrid have hired a private plane for Raul and Luis Figo to travel to Zurich for Monday's FIFA World Player of the Year award ceremony. Along with Manchester United's David Beckham, Real's stars are the favourites to win the prestigious award. Club teammate and current Player of the Year Zinedine Zidane looks likely to have to settle for a seat on a regular flight, alongside his Madrid teammates.

REF ON THE MARK

A referee who took pity on a losing team by scoring for them now faces disciplinary action from the FA. Brian Savill volleyed the ball into the net for Wimpole 2000 who were 18-1 down at the time against Earls Colne Reserves. "It was just a spur of the moment thing," the 47-year-old official said after the match. Mr Savill astonished both Colchester amateur league teams with his crisp finish but it wasn't enough to spark a Wimpole comeback, with their opponents going on to win 20-2.

Best Fans In The Land - One Million Times



Back on October 13, 1996, a crowd of 9,639 made their way to Perth Oval to watch NSL newcomers Perth Glory take on UTS Olympic (now Olympic Sharks). Unfortunately the Glory boys went down 4-1 that day, but a phenomenon was born that quickly became, and still is, the envy of every other NSL club (and many other sporting clubs) across Australia. At our last home match, just 75 games later, the one-millionth fan clicked through the gates at Perth Oval to watch the Glory beat Parramatta Power, appropriately on the day the club were celebrating their sixth birthday. Simon Daniels (pictured above left) was the official one-millionth spectator through the gate and in recognition of the historic moment, Simon was presented with a fantastic package, including overnight accommodation for two at the Mercure Hotel and an array of Glory merchandise.

Glory Holiday Pack

Take advantage of this fantastic offer from Perth Glory and you'll be the envy of all your mates these summer holidays. The "Glory Holiday Pack", full of exciting goodies worth more than $110, is on sale now for just $87. Each pack includes two reserved seats for the three Glory home games in the January school holidays, vouchers for two Chicken Treat hot chicken rolls and two Harvey Fresh drinks at the game against Brisbane Strikers on January 5 and a FREE Fuji Quicksnap Super Camera to catch all the action. To take advantage of these great benefits, please call Glen Austen on 9383 9911

Thousands Cheer Glory On In Newcastle

Perth Glory supporters showed once again they are the best fans in the land, even when their team is playing on the other side of the country. Official figures released by ATR Australia show the average rating for Channel 7's live telecast of the top-of-the-table clash against Newcastle United last week was 55,000, and you can be sure of one thing - they would have made more noise than the 12,003 Newcastle fans at Marathon Stadium. The outstanding response to this telecast, despite the kick-off being at 4:00pm WA time, fully justifies the Glory and Channel 7's decision to televise the match and there will be a number of other Glory games telecast during the remainder of the season. Details of the dates and times are available on the Glory website at www.perthglory.com.au or check your local TV guide closer to the time.

Peters Glory Squad Zoo Party - Coming Soon!

With all the excitement of the Glory setting records left, right and centre and Christmas fast approaching, it might be easy to forget that THE Peters Glory Squad event of the season isn't far away - but if you do, you'll never forgive yourself. That's right - the hugely popular Peters Glory Squad Zoo Party is less than a month away - Sunday, January 13 to be exact - and as always it will be an afternoon full of fun, fun and more fun. There will be all sorts of free entertainment including carousel rides, zookeeper talks, competitions and face painting plus a sausage sizzle and of course the chance to meet and chat to your favourite Glory players. All Peters Glory Squad members should have received tickets in the most recent (December) edition of "Glory Days" and for more information, see the full page ad on page 42 of this programme.

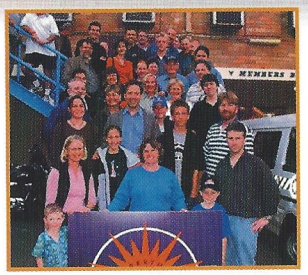
Silent Auction Is Tonight

Are you still looking for that hard-to-find, last-minute Christmas present for a friend or relative? You probably don't need reminding but there are only nine shopping days left before Christmas. So why not solve all your problems at once and get them a gift they'll really love at this evening's silent auction, and at the same time help out the Glory's two nominated charities which this season are The James Crofts Hope Foundation and the Neurotrauma Research Programme. The auction will again be set up near the matchday office behind the main grandstand but you'll need to get in early as bids will only be accepted up until the end of half-time.

Once again there will be all sorts of fantastic Glory memorabilia on offer with something to suit everyone's price range. The items up for auction are; an autographed block mounted 2001-02 team poster, an autographed block mounted set of four player posters from the 2001-02 team, a 360 degree photo quality print of Perth Glory's inaugural Grand Final in 2000 signed by the captain and coach (size 3m x 20cm), a leather bound collection of 2000-01 matchday programmes signed by the player on each front cover, a "Glory Story 5" yearbook personally signed by the 2001-02 playing squad, an autographed Anthony Danze official playing shirt from the 2000-01 season, an official set of Perth Glory number plates (PG 1111), a fully autographed official 2001-02 playing shirt, an autographed official match ball (Perth Glory v Melbourne Knights - Perth Oval (17-11-01), and a Perth Glory backpack filled with great Glory merchandise

Perth Glory Group Bookings

Praetorium Pty Ltd were the latest organisation to take advantage of Perth Glory's group booking offer, taking 30 of its staff and clients along to see the Glory boys set a new NSL record for the most consecutive wins at the start of a season, with a 2-1 win against Parramatta Power. The group's leader, Julianne Lambrose was extremely impressed with the way the evening went and said afterwards: "We often take staff and clients out to different events, and this was definitely one of our more enjoyable corporate outings. We look forward to coming to see the Glory again soon!" For more information on group bookings, please contact the Glory's Sales Executive Glen Austen on 9383 9911 or 0417 394 785 or e-mail glen@perthglory.com.au



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FLASHBACK

THIS TIME...

5 YEARS AGO

Round 11 South Melbourne 1 Perth Glory 0 League Position 7th (of 14)

Perth Glory's three-match winning streak came to an end when they went down by a single goal at Bob Jane Stadium. The home side nullified the Glory's attacking flair and managed to hold them goalless - something that had only happened once in the opening 10 rounds. But in the end it was a dubious penalty, converted by Vaughan Coveny that separated the teams, and saw the Glory drop out of the top six for the first time in four weeks.

Glory Line-up: *Matassa, C Naven, Wilkinson, Buljubasic, G Naven, Miller, McVittie, Strudwick, Despotovski, Kalogeracos, D Wingell Subs not used: Beretovac, Ithier, Vukmirovic*

4 YEARS AGO

Round 11 Perth Glory 0 Wollongong City 3 League Position 4th (of 14)

The adage "from chocolates to boiled lollies" was never more apt as Perth Glory crashed 0-3 at home to Wollongong, just seven days after hammering previously unbeaten South Melbourne 4-1. Bobby Despotovski saw red midway through the second half and soon after Tony Perinich put the visitors ahead and became public enemy number one at Perth Oval when he ran to "The Shed" to let them know just how happy he was. Anthony Surjan made it 2-0, then Scott Chipperfield continued his tremendous form, scoring his 10th of the season to complete the rout, which was only slightly marred for the visitors by the late sending off of Jason Connolly.

Glory Line-up: *Maras, Wilkinson, Buljubasic (Vukmirovic), G Naven, Miller, McVittie (Anosike), Despotovski, Siasia, S Halpin, Hay, A Carbone (Ithier)*

3 YEARS AGO

Round 11 Sydney Olympic 3 Perth Glory 1 League Position 1st (of 15)

John Markovski's 100th NSL goal, scored after 33 minutes, looked to be the catalyst for an eighth win of the season for Bernd Stange's team - indeed, had Con Boutsianis not missed a sitter on the stoke of half-time, Perth may well have gone on to victory. But a disastrous final 15 minutes saw two red cards to the Glory and three Olympic goals. Bobby Despotovski was the first to go - an unintentional handball, a second yellow card and a penalty converted by Pablo Cardozo. Ante Juric put the home side in front four minutes from time and a minute later Elias Augerinos made it 3-1 after Gareth Naven had been sent off. Not the best way for Paul Strudwick to celebrate his 50th Glory and NSL appearance.

Glory Line-up: *Milosevic, Harnwell, Wilkinson (J Carbone), G Naven, Miller, Despotovski, Strudwick (T Halpin), Boutsianis, Markovski (Kalogeracos), Hay, A Carbone*

2 YEARS AGO

Round 11 Perth Glory 3 South Melbourne 1 League Position 3rd (of 16)

Perth Glory continued their march up the table and maintained their 100 per cent home record against South Melbourne in a match not without incident. Alistair Edwards opened the scoring early on but the big talking point came after 26 minutes when Souths keeper Milan Udvaracz was sent off and conceded a penalty for spitting at Edwards. Bobby Despotovski scored from the spot, then just after half-time Con Boutsianis made it 3-0 with his sixth of the season. Despite the margin, some Glory fans became impatient towards the end with their team unable to add to that tally against a stand-in keeper, even more so when John Anastasiadis scored a late consolation for the visitors.

Glory Line-up: *Petkovic, Trajkovski, Harnwell, G Naven, Miller, Edwards, Despotovski (Thorp), Edgar Jr, Wehrman (J Carbone), Boutsianis, Ergic Sub not used: Afkos*

1 YEAR AGO

Round 11 Perth Glory 0 Marconi Stallions 1 League Position 4th (of 15)

After four wins and a draw at home, Perth Glory's fortress was penetrated by Marconi Stallions and in particular, one James Afkos. The former Glory player scored his first-ever NSL goal after 30 minutes to give his team a shock win. Despite a frantic final 10 minutes, several goalmouth scrambles and a Jamie Harnwell header that crashed off the crossbar, the home side couldn't find an equaliser and Marconi went on to secure their first win in Perth in a match that saw Alistair Edwards make his 50th appearance for the Glory.

Glory Line-up: *Petkovic, Trajkovski, Harnwell, Milicevic, Miller, Maloney (Roberts), Buljan (Edwards), Edgar Jr, Mori (Valle), Pryce, J Carbone Sub not used: Franken (rgk)*

Peters GLORY Squad

ZOO PARTY

Once again its time to go wild at the ...

Make sure you don't miss the most popular event on the Peters Glory Squad calendar!

It's non-stop action at the Peters Glory Squad Zoo Party!

4.00pm Zoo party commences on the picnic lawn
Have a go at Karaoke!
Free sausage sizzle
Free Peters Ice Cream
Free Choc Chill
Free face painting
Free carousel rides commence

4.20-5.15pm Players arrive and are introduced by the MC
Question time with the players
Juggling clinic commences

5.00pm Zoo keeper talks commence

5.15-6.45pm Players available for autographs and photographs
Peters Crazy Critters on stage, fun and games including an ice-cream eating competition.

5.30-6.00pm More entertainment on main oval
Zoo Party concludes
Next stop the Glory Family Day!

6.15-6.45pm

Venue: PERTH ZOO
Address: 20 Labouchere Rd, South Perth
Date: Sunday, 13th January 2002
Time: 4.00pm – 7.00pm

Peters GLORY

Peters Glory Squad members are entitled to one child's and one adult's entry ticket (your vouchers are inside this edition of Glory Days). Additional entry tickets can be on purchased the day at the zoo entrance. First aid is always available at the zoo - the first aid station can be found near the reptile enclosure. To enable all members to collect as many autographs as possible, it is recommended that you bring a marking pen with you.

LETTERS & QUIZ

Want to voice your opinion about the club? Or share some of your Glory experiences? Or even your feedback or advice on our publication? Please try to keep all letters to under 200 words and if possible we will gladly print any accompanying photographs.

Dear Perth Glory

The Glory shirt and the other stuff arrived today. Thank you very much for the extra posters. The shirt is great and fits very well. You can see me in the new shirt in the attached picture. I will come back to Perth in January 2003! OK, I hope I will come back. First I have to save enough money and then ... I really hope to see another Glory game at Perth Oval. Maybe I will see you then. Have a good Christmas time and enjoy the summertime. It's crazy! Christmas in summer! We have +/- 0 degrees and sometimes it snows. It's too cold to play soccer at the moment.

Thank you for everything. Hope to see you in +/- one year.

Michael Boggio,
Forellenweg 28, CH-3427 Utzenstorf

Dear Glory

I'm just writing to congratulate the team on their great record this season. It's fantastic to see the defence so strong this year as I think we gave away too many silly goals in the last few seasons. I watched both the Socceroos' matches against Uruguay and was so disappointed we didn't make it to the World Cup again but at least I can still look forward to the Glory every week and hopefully a championship at the end of the season. I also think it's been a good idea by Mich d'Avray to change the captain every game. It seems to bring the best out of everyone when they are captain and it is a good reward because I think this season they are playing more as a team than they ever have and there are no controversial players in the team anymore. I can't wait for the finals - go Glory.

Samuel Henderson,
Victoria Park

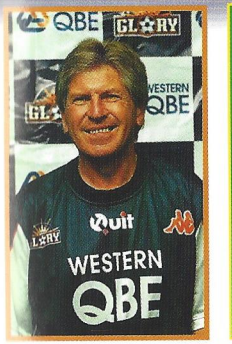
QUIZ

1. The Glory's first-ever finals match was against the Force in Adelaide - what was the score?
2. Who is the most recent player to make his Glory debut?
3. Who has played the most matches for the Glory after Scott Miller?
4. How many clean sheets have the Glory kept so far this season?
5. Who is the Glory's Youth Development Manager?
6. Which nation did Mich d'Avray represent at the Under-21 European Championship finals?
7. Who is the captain of Brisbane Strikers?
8. Wollongong and South Melbourne have shared the last four NSL titles - who was the most recent winner before that?
9. Which country did Sydney United's guest player Aljosa Asanovic represent at the 1998 World Cup?
10. Which two nations will take part in the opening match of next year's World Cup?

Answers on page 46

JUNIOR GLORY

Smarter than smoking soccer skills with ALAN VEST



PASSING

In a circle, using five or six balls, players must dribble across the circle to a teammate who hasn't got a ball and change places. Players should keep their head up at all times to avoid other players who are moving across the circle

PARTY WITH PJ

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Four of the Glory's current squad have played for Adelaide City. Damian Mori, Jason Petkovic and Brad Hassell are three - who is the other?

Hint: It was before the Glory were formed

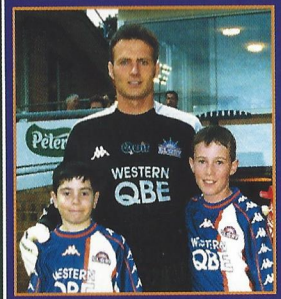
Over to you PJ

Jamiroquai - "A funk odyssey"

The Glory are certainly in for a tough encounter this evening against Adelaide City. Frogger, Petka and Bradley Hassell have all spent much of their career under the guidance of Zoran Matic and it will lead to an interesting tussle of tactics as each side attempts to outsmart the other. If the performance of the lads in the beach volleyball session held during the week is anything to go by, Adelaide will be in for a big surprise. The athleticism displayed by the lads was breathtaking as the Cottesloe crowd observed a level of skill only comparable to that of Olympic champions Kerri Pottharst and Natalie Cook. (This may be just a slight exaggeration!)
The sounds of Jamiroquai 2001: "A funk odyssey" can regularly be heard echoing from the grounds of the Cott beer garden on any lazy Sunday afternoon. Quite a regular occurrence as the single lads head down there religiously in search of the woman of their dreams. Jay Kay's new album is definitely set to follow in the footsteps of his previous four which sold a staggering 16 million albums worldwide. His unique sound of funk groove has triggered the evolution of a new music genre and his popularity is forever expanding across the globe.
All tracks on this album are great. Tracks 1, 2 and 3, 'Feel so good', 'Little L' and 'You give me something' are my favourites, however I have thoroughly enjoyed the entire CD. This is an album definitely worth adding to your collection. Happy listening!

Keep Smiling

PJ Roberts



MASCOTS

Our lucky mascots at the last home game were Ryan Crone (Chicken Treat) & Josh Skelton (Peters Glory Squad) pictured here with Jason Petkovic.

Sony Man Of The Match

If there were any lingering doubts about Bobby Despotovski's fitness going into the match against Parramatta Power, they were dispelled in emphatic style in the opening 20 minutes as the Glory's ace striker steered his team to a 2-0 lead. A spectacular goal and a superb through ball that led to the penalty which he converted, saw to that. Several times he went close to completing his hat-trick, as well as creating a number of good chances for teammates, as fans were treated to the full array of Despotovski tricks, flicks and deft touches in another Sony Man of the Match performance.

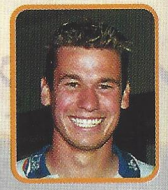
Magic Miller Reaches 200

Congratulations to Scott Miller who will play his 200th NSL match this evening. The 29-year-old was one of the inaugural Glory boys, joining the club after playing 49 games for the now-extinct Morwell Falcons. Underrated by many initially, "Reggie" has gone on to win the Glory's MGP and Supporters' Player of the Year awards in 1998-99 and deservedly made his Socceroo debut earlier this year. He has scored 18 NSL goals, 15 of those for Perth, many of which have been spectacular strikes from the edge of the area.

Two-Up At Perth Oval

If you're planning to put a little wager on the Glory before this evening's match, you might consider putting a dollar or two on Mich d'Avray's team scoring two goals. In each of the side's home matches this season, they've scored twice and in all four outings they've actually been 2-0 up at some stage. In fact, last week's 1-1 draw with Newcastle was the first time this season they failed to score at least twice and it was also the first time they've been behind at any stage of a game.

Harnwell Due



Don't be surprised if Jamie Harnwell pops up at some stage tonight and scores a goal. The big defender has been in superb form at the back this season but after scoring 10 goals in the past two seasons, Harnwell has yet to find the target this season. In fact, after waiting 25 matches between his first and second NSL goal, his current run of 12 games without a goal is easily the longest between drinks, with his previous driest spell lasting five matches.

Lucky 13 For Glory Boys

All good things must come to an end and if anyone was going to bring the Glory's winning streak to a halt, it was going to be bogey side Newcastle United. However, last week's draw enabled the Glory boys to equal the club's longest unbeaten run of 12 matches (seven wins and five draws), set last campaign and ended by ... you guessed it ... Newcastle. Going back to the end of last season, the Round 30 win against Canberra Cosmos and the two finals draws with Melbourne Knights, together with the nine-match run so far this season, makes it an even dozen without defeat (nine wins and three draws), so let's hope it's a case of lucky 13 tonight.

Hair Today ... Gone Tomorrow

Antonio Naglieri may not be too far away from making his NSL debut after being on the Glory bench for the past couple of games, but it's a close shave of a different sort that has attracted most attention this week. Apparently a couple of his teammates fancied themselves as barbers and decided Naglieri's flowing locks would be a good starting point, with the midfielder's first away trip being the justification. "Nags" himself thinks the new look is "okay, not bad", so much so he thinks he'll keep it that way for a while. And the guilty party? No names, but think of the numbers five and 17.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

1. 0-0 2. David Tarka 3. Bobby Despotovski 4. Four 5. Frank Arok 6. England 7. Stuart Mclaren 8. Brisbane Strikers 9. Croatia 10. France and Senegal

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